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Just 1 chance for kids to switch

There will be only one opportunity for city students to switch from fully remote to blended classroom learning for the rest of the year, the Department of Education said on Monday in a decision that infuriated parents.

Mayor de Blasio and Schools Chancellor Richard Carranza (right) said at a briefing that families would have a two-week period beginning Nov. 2 to opt into the combined learning plan.

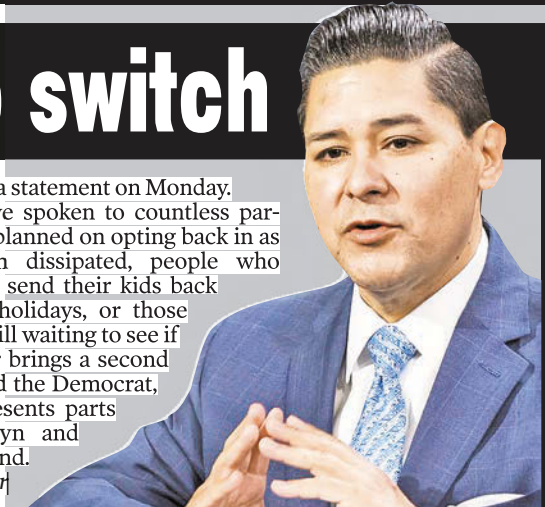
Initially, the DOE offered a quarterly window to make the change, but it said on Monday that schools need to finalize their enrollment outlook for the rest of the year to stabilize operations.

“The substance of their rationale makes sense,” said Deborah Alexander, a parent and co-president of Community Education Council 30 in Queens. “But the mechanics and delivery once again leave parents bewildered and behind the eight ball.”

Alexander said many parents had hoped to decide after the holidays. State Sen. Diane Savino ripped the change in a statement on Monday.

“We have spoken to countless parents who planned on opting back in as flu season dissipated, people who wanted to send their kids back after the holidays, or those who are still waiting to see if the winter brings a second wave,” said the Democrat, who represents parts of Brooklyn and Staten Island.

Selim Algar



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No show, no problem

Attendance, late work won't drop grades

By SELIM ALGAR
Education Reporter

Student accountability is becoming remote when it comes to city Department of Education policy in the coronavirus era.

The country's largest school system won't lower grades for late work or lack of attendance this year, according to final guidelines provided to The Post.

“Schools must ensure that their grading policies and practices acknowledge the impact of remote and blended learning models on the ways in which students must complete their assigned work,” reads the document, e-mailed to principals Monday morning.

Citing COVID-19 disruptions, the DOE said schools “must adjust” expectations for timely work and are “encouraged to lessen or eliminate penalties for late work beyond these deadlines.”

Student attendance will not directly impact grades. The DOE guidelines state that “courses that currently include attendance as a factor in student grades must remove that factor completely.”

Like last year, city students will not be given failing grades and will



Christopher Sadowski

SCHOOL BREAK: City public-school students need not worry about lack of attendance affecting their grades during this hybrid-learning year.

instead be given opportunities to make up material.

In addition, parents will now have the option of scrapping any numeric grade this year and replacing it with a less exacting “meets standards” or “pass” mark that won't count toward a cumulative overall score.

Individual schools will be allowed to determine how numeric grades are calculated and will be given wide berth in assessing student progress.

“This guidance is designed to promote equity, flexibility and empathy

in our grading practice for all students,” the DOE said.

Critics of the new approach — which is being adopted in districts across the country — said it dilutes accountability for kids and staffers.

“These kids are going to be thrown into life with no tools and no sense of accountability,” said Bronx mom Veronica Flores. “This is not how the world works. No one is going to hand you anything.”

Flores said she agrees that there should be more flexibility with re-

note learning but argued that the DOE is going too far.

“The have-nots are being treated like can-nots,” she said. “I get that this is motivated by sensitivity. But in the end, it's only going to further the divide.”

A Manhattan teacher said on Monday that the rules shield administrators and DOE officials from scrutiny.

“How do we know if a school is educating their children or not?” the teacher said. “In the end, it just makes it difficult to know if a student is excelling or falling behind. I'm not sure if that helps them.”

But a Queens principal argued that coronavirus turmoil necessitated the changes and that they are reasonable — at least for now.

He noted that more “competitive” kids will still have the option of numeric grades while struggling students can accrue credits without falling behind.

“Now everyone can see your home on Zoom, or you have to deal with a parent losing a job, or other things,” he said. “Be flexible.”

Meanwhile, the DOE on Monday reported an overall attendance rate of 85 percent for both in-person and remote learners.

Newark tightens biz rules amid COVID rise

Newark, NJ, is slapping curfews and other restrictions on local businesses amid an uptick in coronavirus cases.

Starting Tuesday, nonessential businesses must close nightly at 8 p.m., restaurants and bars must end indoor dining at 8 p.m. and outdoor eating at 11 p.m. Barbershops, beauty parlors and nail salons can take customers only by appointment, Mayor

Ras Baraka announced on Monday.

Additionally, all gyms and health clubs must close for the first 30 minutes of every hour to be sanitized. People can stay put or return after the cleaning under the new rules.

Recreation centers will also be closed for everything but school-related programs for essential employees. And in the East Ward, all sports

activities and open park practices and games will be canceled.

“This is not the first time COVID-19 has threatened our city ... and once again, we will meet this challenge with determination and guided by data,” Baraka said, adding that the new rules will be reassessed after Nov. 10.

On Sunday, Newark had more COVID-19 cases than every other city

in Essex County combined, he said.

The city's positivity rate reportedly climbed to 11.8 percent — the highest since the week ending May 23. New Jersey overall last week saw a positivity rate of 5.28 percent.

As of Friday, the latest health data showed a total of 10,041 coronavirus cases in Newark with 673 virus-related deaths.

Natalie Musumeci

Forget pepper spray, an on-demand bodyguard is the latest safety hack

By SUZY WEISS

GET YOUR GUARD UP: Post writer Suzy Weiss used the new app Bond to book a bodyguard with NYPD experience for a day out in Brooklyn.

Unless you count elbowing sorority girls to get a bartender's attention, I've never been involved in a real NYC tussle.

But at 5-foot-2 and 115 pounds — OK, maybe a little more post-lockdown — perhaps I should hone my combat skills. After all, crime is apparently on the rise and women are stepping up their self-defense game.

Peter Tay, a jujitsu instructor who teaches one-on-ones in the Flatiron District, told me that in the past six months, he's seen a 30 percent jump in inquiries from women, including a few from the Upper West Side where locals have clashed in the courts with the city for turning hotels into homeless shelters.

"Two of my girls say they can't walk down their street without being harassed," said Tay, who teaches chokeholds and takedowns to 10 to 15 students a week.

Unsure about my abilities to deliver a damning blow, I found the next best thing: a personal security app, called Bond, that offers trained bodyguards you can book by the half-hour on demand.

It's body men for the everyman, not just high-profile politicians and celebs. I decided to test it out and hired a guard to meet me outside my apart-

ment, on a busy corner in Prospect Heights. It was like booking an Uber, except in this case, I got a few pre-screening calls from HQ about any known threats (no) and whether I wanted my guy to be armed (yes).

It felt top secret and cool, even though I knew our day's itinerary would hardly approach "Zero Dark Thirty."

My guard, a 6-foot-1 dude named Ira, had spent most of his career in the NYPD Intelligence Bureau, a job which included protecting presidents, foreign dignitaries, the dalai lama and the pope. So, as the former treasurer of my eighth-grade class, I felt reasonably safe.

Ira's services cost \$87.50 for 3 1/2 hours, which was half off thanks to promotional pricing.

I let Ira know that we'd be having a low-key day: We'd start off by grabbing coffee with my roommate in tow. Stoop dwellers, nannies with strollers and baristas certainly took note of his dark sunglasses and commemorative NYPD lapel pin.

"He's a bodyguard for normal people," I told the barista, who seemed disappointed there wasn't a true entourage-worthy customer in the store.

Ira and I swung by the grocery store after our morning coffee. He stayed a few feet behind me and on my right side as we walked, so he could push me out of the way with his left arm and grab his gun with his right if the need arose.

I grabbed a few pantry basics while he cased the produce aisle for any shadowy characters. Again, the store owner inquired as to what we were doing there, and told me how Loretta Lynch, the former US attorney general, used to shop at this Foodtown with body men, too.

Next, I decided to take a jog in the park in the spirit of Dr. Anthony Fauci, who was recently interviewed on "60 Minutes" and was shown exercising outside with security, a necessary precaution for him and his family.

On my run, there were mostly preschool playgroups around, but at least I had someone to watch out for rogue bikers.

Ira opted to watch me from the tree line beside the track, while I ran within eyeshot.

On the way home, we stopped at the ATM and the liquor store. In his career as a private detail, Ira has dealt with high rollers. He's guarded the kids of financial bigwigs while they partied in Cabo for spring break and even the cash-filled suitcases of Saudi princes while they went shopping.

Me? I took out 40 bucks, and bought a bottle of Lillet. Then, it was back to my walk-up, where I thanked Ira for his services on what I fear was the most boring day of his life.

Still, a boring day of bodyguarding is the best kind to have.

HE'S GOT HER COVERED



Victory for women is 'right' on

CARRIE SEVERINO

MONDAY night, Judge Amy Coney Barrett became Justice Amy Coney Barrett. It was a triumph on many levels. It was a triumph for a judiciary that we rely on to protect our system of representative democracy. It was a triumph for those who recognize the importance of upholding the Constitution as written, not sidestepping it or contorting it into a vehicle for unelected judges to legislate from the bench.

And it was a triumph for conservative women, who for many years have been marginalized in much of our political culture.

Of course, there was a time within living memory that women altogether were denied opportunities that are taken for granted today. Despite graduating third in her class at Stanford Law School, Sandra Day O'Connor notably had a difficult time beginning her legal career. Law firms made no offer to her other than as a legal secretary, so she became a deputy county attorney, initially offering to work for no salary and sharing space with a secretary.

It was a steep climb for O'Connor to become the first woman to serve on the Supreme Court in 1981. Amy Coney Barrett was 9 years old at the time. Thirty-nine years later, she becomes the first woman with school-age children to join the high court. Upon her nomination, Barrett paid tribute to O'Connor, as well as to another trailblazer she was chosen to replace, Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

In 2007, a year after O'Connor's retirement, Ginsburg reflected, "It was good for the public to see that women

come in all sizes and shapes, just as men do, and they don't necessarily look alike or think alike."

Unfortunately, many of the influencers in academia and mainstream media, to say nothing of our governing class, are decidedly less welcoming of conservative women, and especially women of faith.

We saw this dynamic in play during Barrett's nomination hearing for the Seventh Circuit in 2017, when the Senate Judiciary Committee's ranking member, Dianne Feinstein, told her that "the dogma lives loudly within you" and Sen. Richard Durbin asked, "Do you consider yourself an orthodox Catholic?"

For her part, Judge Barrett emphasized the primacy of the law over any judge's personal background, symbolized by the black robe judges wear.

It "shows that justice is blind. . . . [O]nce we put it on, we are standing united symbolically speaking in the name of the law, not speaking for ourselves as individuals."

It is the capacity to do that that counts most — and Barrett earned repeated praise for displaying such ability as well as any Supreme Court nominee those Judiciary Committee members had ever seen. Chairman Lindsey Graham noted during the hearings this opportunity to "punch through" not "a glass ceiling, but a reinforced concrete barrier around conservative women."

On the day Judge Barrett's nomination was voted out of committee, Graham summed it up: "It's moments like this where you can tell young conservative women there's a place at the table for you."

Carrie Campbell Severino is president of the Judicial Crisis Network.



SUPREME HONOR: Amy Coney Barrett is sworn in as a Supreme Court justice by fellow Justice Clarence Thomas Monday night at the White House after Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (below) steered her confirmation.



IT'S OFFICIAL: ACB IS A-OK

● Confirmed in 52-48 Senate vote

● Pledges no political ideology.

By STEVEN NELSON

The Republican-controlled Senate on Monday evening voted to confirm Amy Coney Barrett as the newest justice to the Supreme Court, giving President Trump his third appointment to the body just a week before the election.

Barrett, 48, was sworn in soon after by Justice Clarence Thomas in a White House ceremony. She becomes the fifth female justice in the court's history.

Barrett replaces liberal icon Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and conservatives believe — and liberals fear — she will tilt the ideological balance of the bench for decades.

But in brief remarks after her swearing-in, Barrett said she would not let her political ideology influence her decisions on the court.

"It is the job of a judge to resist her policy preference," she said, adding that she would consider not doing so a "dereliction of duty."

"A judge declares independence not only from Congress and the president, but also from the private beliefs that might otherwise move her," she added.

Trump praised Barrett just before her swearing-in as one of America's "most brilliant legal scholars" with a "towering intellect."

He added he was honored to have the opportunity to nominate her.

"This is a momentous day for America, for the United States Constitution and for the fair and impartial rule of law," Trump said. "As president, I have no more solemn obligation and no greater honor than to appoint Supreme Court justices."

Trump had trumpeted the victory hours earlier during a rally in Martinsburg, Pa., calling Barrett "one of our nation's most brilliant legal minds."

"She will defend our rights, our liberties and our God-given freedoms," he said. "We

Joe eyes rotating justices

Joe Biden on Monday floated the possibility of Supreme Court justices being rotated off the bench and bounced from federal court to court should he be elected president.

"There is some literature among constitutional scholars about the possibility of going from one court to another court, not just always staying the whole time in the Supreme Court," Biden said at a campaign stop in Chester, Pa.

Biden called the confirmation of Judge Amy Coney Barrett "rushed and unprecedented" in a statement on Monday night, but to date has failed to embrace the zeal for court packing — expanding the number of justices on the high court from nine to 15 — favored by many on the left wing of the Democratic Party.

Immediately following Barrett's confirmation, for example, New York Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez made her position clear on Twitter.

"Expand the court," the Bronx-born congresswoman tweeted

in a message that was re-tweeted by fellow "Squad" member Rep. Ilhan Omar (D-Minn.).

"Remember that Republicans have lost 6 of the last 7 popular votes, but have appointed 6 of the last 9 justices," Omar added.

During a "60 Minutes" interview on Sunday night, the former veep announced his plan to create a bipartisan commission to propose changes to the Supreme Court if he triumphs on Election Day.

He assured reporters he had made "no judgment" and said of his proposed commission, "They're just a group of serious constitutional scholars who have a number of ideas how we should proceed from this point on.

"That's what we're going to be doing. We're going to give them 180 days, God willing if I'm elected, from the time I'm sworn in, to be able to make such a recommendation."

Ebony Bowden

were all watching in great amusement as she was so-called grilled by the opposition. That was easy."

All Republicans except Sen. Susan Collins of Maine voted in favor of Barrett and all Democrats opposed her in the 52-48 vote.

Democrats, including Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer of New York, blasted Republicans for voting to approve Barrett just eight days before the election.

Barrett, previously a judge on the US Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, is a favorite among religious conservatives and will be the seventh Catholic on the nine-person court.

The Indiana resident is the first mother on the court with minor children. Her kids — four girls and three boys — are ages 8 to 19. Two were adopted from Haiti.

Barrett will begin hearing cases immediately, with the next scheduled oral arguments on Nov. 2.

Controversial cases going before the court include Texas v. California on Nov. 10. In that case, the court might strike down what remains of ObamaCare following the 2017 repeal of the law's mandate forcing individuals to purchase private health insurance.

Democrats claimed during Barrett's confirmation hearings that she was being confirmed quickly so she could hear that case and help gut the law's protections for people with pre-existing conditions. The issue is an election-year vulnerability for Republicans, but Trump says he would resurrect those protections if the law is struck down.

A Nov. 4 case involves a dispute about whether a Catholic organization that re-

ceives taxpayer funds can choose not to place children with same-sex couples.

And on Dec. 2, the court will hear arguments by House Democrats who want access to grand-jury notes and redacted portions of special counsel Robert Mueller's Russia report, which found no evidence Trump's team colluded with Moscow.

The court also agreed to hear cases in its upcoming term on Trump's 2019 diversion of military funds to build the US-Mexico border wall and on the Trump administration's Remain in Mexico policy, which requires most asylum-seekers from Central America to stay out of the United States while their requests are considered.

The Supreme Court also may play a role in the election in response to lawsuits over the widespread use of mail-in ballots amid the coronavirus pandemic.

No-confidence vote

Blasio & Cuomo blast elex board over 'terrible job'

EARLY BIRDS: Voters line up in the rain to cast their ballots at a polling station in Kaufman Astoria Studios in Queens early Monday morning.

Matthew McDermott

By JULIA MARSH,
BERNADETTE HOGAN
and AARON FEIS

Mayor de Blasio and Gov. Cuomo actually agreed on something Monday, with both panning the city Board of Elections' handling of early voting as historic turnout over the weekend led to hourslong lines at swamped polling sites.

"The Board of Elections was clearly not prepared for this kind of turnout and needs to make adjustments immediately to be able to support all New Yorkers who want to take part," de Blasio said at his daily press briefing.

Hizzoner — who noted that he and First Lady Chirlane McCray would cast their ballots on Tuesday — said winding lines like

those seen at polls citywide send the wrong message to voters.

"We cannot at this crucial moment see people discouraged," he said — even though voters waiting amid the drizzle on Monday told *The Post* that they were heartened to see the high turnout.

Hoping to beat the crowds, citizens flocked to voting sites across the city on Monday before they even opened at 7 a.m.

They were largely successful, thanks to a combination of an earlier opening time than on the weekend, work drawing other would-be voters away and intermittent rain.

"I think it's really exciting and encouraging," April Lo, 39, said of the turnout as she voted bright and early at Madison Square Gar-

den. "Seeing everyone participate makes me feel really hopeful."

Stephen Hargrove, also voting at the Garden, agreed.

"It's necessary," said Hargrove, 59. "It gives you hope to see all these people out here."

But even if voters are willing to wait hours, de Blasio and Cuomo said they shouldn't have to.

"I think the Board of Elections in New York City did a terrible job," Cuomo said in an Albany briefing after de Blasio's. "New York City Board of Elections blew it."

The BOE consists of 10 commissioners — two from each borough — nominated by bosses of the Democratic and Republican parties and approved by the City Council without mayoral input.

In the short term, de Blasio

called on the BOE to take a series of steps to fix the process, including: utilizing new voting machines currently in storage until Nov. 3; ensuring that ample staffing is available at the city's 88 early voting sites; and expanding voting hours for next weekend from its current run of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In the long haul, both the mayor and governor said they were open to doing away with the BOE, which has long been dogged by allegations of dysfunction and which de Blasio on Monday called a "vestige of a corrupt past" dating to Tammany Hall.

The BOE declined to comment on the renewed calls for reform.

Additional reporting by Lorena Mongelli, Rachel Green and Carl Campanile

Pot, booze and Netflix at the BoE: staffers

The agency overseeing the city's voting operations is a modern-day Tammany Hall staffed by workers more interested in watching Netflix and getting high than helping voters cast ballots, according to former employees.

"That place is messed up,"

said Betty Ann Canizio, who was pushed out of her role as the Board of Elections' Brooklyn deputy chief in 2016 after voters were purged from borough rolls.

In 2015, she came across a group of BOE colleagues in charge of voting machines smoking marijuana at a Sun-

set Park storage depot — the night of an election, Canizio told *The Post*.

She said she reported the incident to bosses but nothing happened.

"A lot of them that work there are hardworking," she said of BOE staff. "Then there are a lot of them that,

they would come in to work drunk, they would come in to work high, there were fistfights in the office."

Charles Stimson, who has done trainings for the Board of Elections for nearly 20 years, echoed Canizio's concerns in an interview with *The New York Times*.

"It is really hard to have co-workers who are incapable of performing what they need to do," Stimson said, adding that some binge Netflix on the clock.

Early voting has been plagued with massive lines across the city. *Julia Marsh and Carl Campanile*

Cuo out of love (and tp)

Gov. Cuomo revealed at a recent book-promotion event that he has two things on his mind these days — New Yorkers' rabid toilet-paper consumption during COVID-19 and landing a girlfriend.

The governor regaled listeners about both subjects during an interview with Bravo TV star Andy Cohen on Oct. 15 as part of Cuomo's virtual tour touting his new tome "American Crisis."

Asked by Cohen about the run on toilet paper during the pandemic, Cuomo replied to a virtual audience that paid \$35 a pop to listen in, "That's the question I kept asking — why toilet paper? Why not batteries, candles, canned goods? ... I understand hand sanitizer, but why toilet paper?! I'm gonna commission a study on that, Andy."

At one point, Cohen joked, "I'm a little worried you're not going to have time to find a girlfriend, Governor."

Cuomo laughed, insisting, "I have no interest," according to audio of the event.

Then he added, "I'm gonna start an app: Who wants to date the New York gov?"

Cohen said, "I actually called your chief of staff today because I do have someone for you."

Cuomo perked up: "Oh, who do you have? ... Get me the phone number!" *Bernadette Hogan, Kate Sheehy*

Zeta now a hurricane

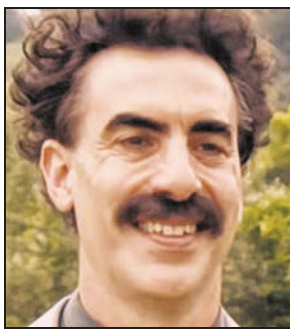
Tropical Storm Zeta strengthened into a hurricane Monday as it made its way toward the Gulf Coast.

The storm had sustained winds of up to 80 mph as it barreled toward Mexico's resort-dotted Yucatan Peninsula — where many are still getting aid after Hurricane Delta and Tropical Storm Gamma earlier this month.

It was centered about 90 miles southeast of Cozumel island Monday afternoon, the US National Hurricane Center said.

Zeta is forecast to make landfall in the United States by Wednesday, although it could weaken by then.

Lee Brown, Wires



BORAT

Passed actress off as teen.

‘Borat’ betrayed me: sitter

The adult babysitter hailed as the “moral compass” of the new “Borat” movie says she feels “betrayed” after she was led to believe she was participating in a real documentary about a teenage girl being groomed to marry a rich man — and prayed for her until the trailer came out.

Jeanise Jones, 62, said the filmmakers never came clean to her about the true premise after she was recruited through a church in Oklahoma City to be featured in the Sacha Baron Cohen satire.

“I’m feeling like she’s from the Third World and that kind of stuff does happen, where they sell women,” Jones told *The Post*. “I’m thinking this is for real so I felt kind of betrayed by it.”

In “Borat Subsequent Moviefilm,” Baron Cohen revives his Kazakh character as he pranks people under the guise of marrying off his daughter, Tutar, played by 24-year-old actress Maria Bakalova. Jones was tasked with watching “Tutar,” whom she was led to believe was 14 or 15. *Jackie Salo*

French hit back at Turkish prez

France has denounced Turkish leader Recep Tayyip Erdogan for suggesting that President Emmanuel Macron should get “mental treatment.”

“What is Macron’s problem with Islam?” Erdogan said Saturday. “Macron needs ... mental treatment.”

Macron promised to crack down on radical Islamism after a French teacher who used caricatures of Muhammad in a class was beheaded.

A Macron rep said, “We demand that Erdogan change the course of his policy ... We do not ... accept insults.”

Yaron Steinbüch

‘Disabled’ retiree’s stuntman gig FIREMAN GETS \$IDE ‘ACTION!’

By CARL CAMPANILE



PANTS ON FIRE? John McGinty, here in his online talent profile, retired from the FDNY with a \$136,684-a-year disability pension in 2016, but he has been working as a TV and movie stuntman for more than a decade.

A former FDNY firefighter has been moonlighting as a stuntman — while also raking in a \$136,684-a-year disability pension, according to court documents.

Citing leg, hip and back injuries, John A. McGinty retired in 2016 with the lucrative annual payout after 25 years with the FDNY.

But it turns out McGinty, 58, works as a professional film and TV stuntman, his own LinkedIn page says.

McGinty — who uses the stage name John Mack — lists his skills as fighting, stunt driving, performing falls of less than 30 feet and fire safety in a profile on CMG Talent, an online talent agency site.

His personal cellphone number is listed at the bottom of the profile.

His IMDb page lists 33 TV and film stunt credits going back more than a decade — including appearances in “Law & Order,” “The Americans” and 2004’s “The Manchurian Candidate” — meaning he was moonlighting as a stuntman while still a firefighter, as well as after retirement.

People who know McGinty blew the whistle on his double life as a pensioner and stuntman after seeing a recent *Post* report revealing that nearly all the FDNY firefighters who retired last year had annual pensions topping \$100,000, mostly on three-quarter disability.

“McGinty is disabled, and we watched him build a new porch on his house,” said one neighbor who lives in Neponsit/Rockaway Park.

“How can you be a stuntman and have a disability with the Fire Department? I don’t get it,” said a neighbor, who requested anonymity.

Another neighbor referred to McGinty as “Johnny Stunts.”

The FDNY’s practice of awarding three-quarter disability pensions has been a simmering issue. The *Post* reported a decade ago about a firefighter who obtained a disability pension for a respiratory illness and went on to compete in triathlons.

McGinty’s double life might have gone unnoticed had he not sued his next-door neighbor in the Rockaways for defamation.

“The plaintiff is employed as a stuntman and actor with the Screen Actors Guild,” said McGinty’s lawsuit against Brian Sullivan, also a retired firefighter.

McGinty alleged in court papers that Sullivan called him a “pedophile,” “chicken hawk” and “sexual predator” who harassed his wife. The name-calling, which allegedly occurred in front of an actress friend, hurt his stuntman/acting career, McGinty charged.

McGinty and Sullivan also sued each other over a fence Sullivan erected between their properties.

Under questioning at the trial in that case, McGinty said, “I’m a retired disabled firefighter.”

In a sworn affidavit in the defamation case, Sullivan’s wife claimed McGinty stalked her and called her a “slut” and “white trash.” He also grabbed his crotch while leering at her from his truck, she claimed.

The Sullivans declined to comment.

In an affidavit submitted in the defamation case last year, Sullivan said he and McGinty were next-door neighbors since 2007.

“He and I had much in common, including that we were both members of the New York City Fire Department,” Sullivan said in the court proceeding.

“He was retired on disability a few years ago,” Sullivan said.

McGinty’s pension was listed on the Empire Center for Public Policy’s SeeThroughNY site.

McGinty’s attorney, Stephen Dachtera, confirmed his client has a FDNY medical disability pension and defended his stunt work.

“Just because you’re a stuntman doesn’t mean you’re exerting a great amount of activity,” he said. “It can be total benign work. He’s doing stunts that are not physically exerting. There’s no fraud here.”

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By ‘George,’ Joe blows it THE HIGH-

By MARK MOORE

Joe Biden appeared to confuse President Trump with George Bush during an on-line fundraising event Sunday, needing an assist from his wife, Jill, sitting next to him to get back on the right train of thought.

The Democratic presidential candidate was speaking at an “I Will Vote” virtual concert that featured John Legend, Dave Matthews, Cher and Pink when he attempted to make the case for his election.

“Not because I’m running, but because who I’m running against, this is the most consequential election in a long, long, long time,” Biden, 77, told moderators George Lopez and Ana Navarro.

“And the character of the country, in my view, is literally on the ballot. What kind of country we’re gonna be. Four more years of George, ah, George, gonna find ourselves in a position where if

Trump gets elected we’re going to be in a different world.”

Jill Biden appears to twice say something to her husband after the “George” flubs, with some news outlets and commenters on social media speculating she may have been saying “Trump” under her breath each time to prod her husband.

It’s unclear which president Biden was referring to — George W. Bush or his father, George H.W. Bush. Some have speculated he was referring to his interviewer, Lopez.

The misstep again raised concerns about Biden’s mental capacity.

“Did you see yesterday when he called me George?” Trump said Monday. “No, I don’t know if I like George. Not George. What a mess. What a mess. No, he called me George.”

“I don’t know if I should be insulted or happy about it. Sort of insulted. That’s the first time that’s happened to me in a long time.”

Poll: Most believe Hunter-dad biz link

Most American voters believe Joe Biden was involved in his son Hunter’s controversial business dealings, a new poll has found in the wake of The Post’s exclusive reporting on the family’s murky overseas ties.

The survey of 1,000 likely voters by Rasmussen Reports found 54 percent believe it’s “likely that Biden was consulted about and perhaps profited from Hunter’s overseas business deals.”

Forty-four percent consider it “very likely” while 38 percent said it was unlikely, including 21 percent who said it was “not at all likely.”

Documents reported by The Post earlier this month indicated that Hunter Biden sought to leverage access to

his father to make millions of dollars overseas.

One e-mail showed that the oft-troubled son also introduced the elder Biden to a Ukrainian energy executive a year before the then-VP lobbied officials in Ukraine to fire a prosecutor who was investigating the company.

The Post articles have sparked a political maelstrom and prompted a former business associate of Hunter Biden to come forward and accuse Joe Biden of lying about his involvement in a scheme to make millions in China.

Tech giant Twitter, however, has labeled the stories with a warning and locked The Post’s official account, demanding the newspaper delete six tweets about the articles. *Ebony Bowden*

270 electoral votes needed to win

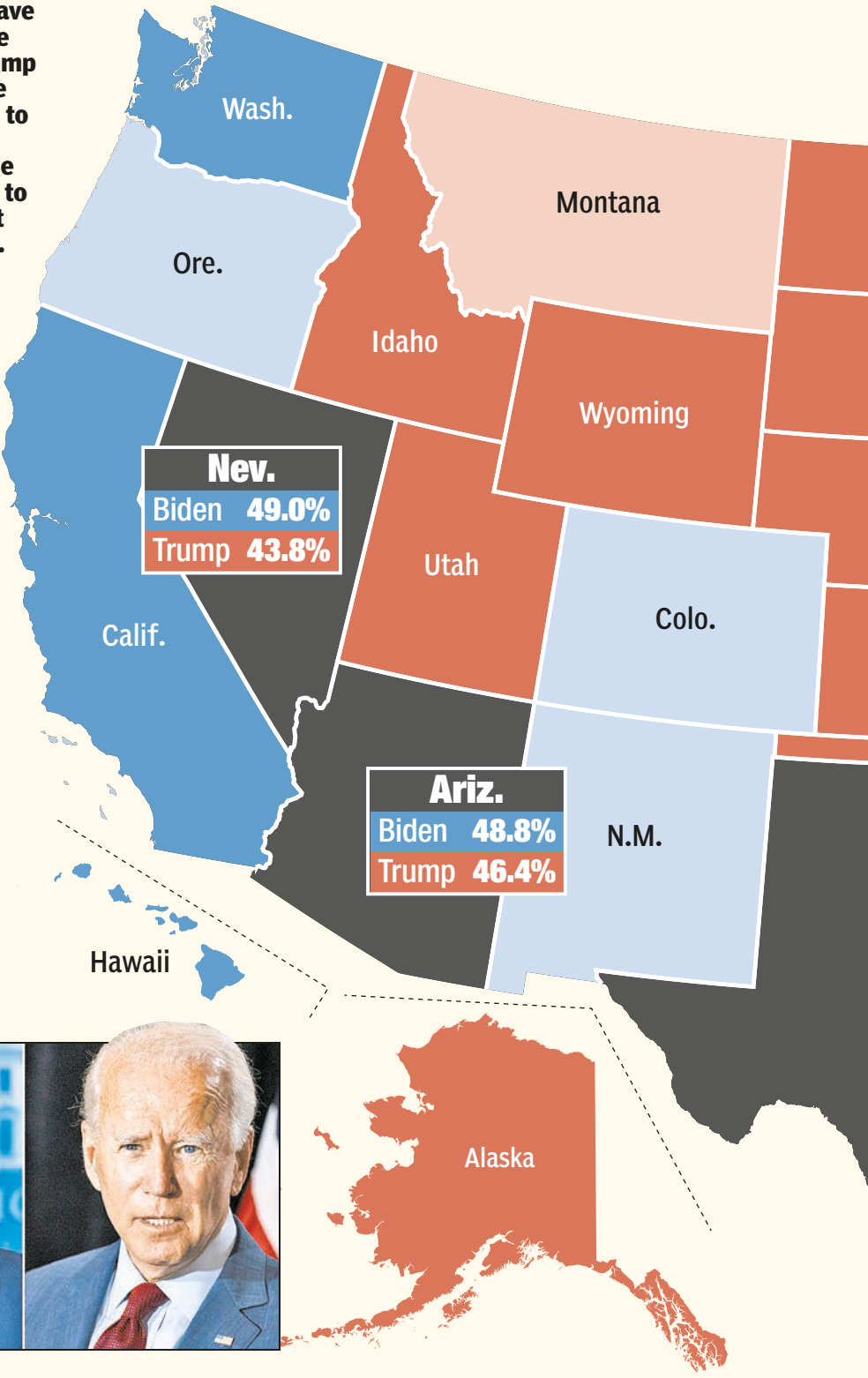
Joe Biden appears to have a healthy electoral-vote lead over President Trump in the final week before the election, according to the RealClearPolitics average of polls. But the race might come down to a handful of states that could break either way.

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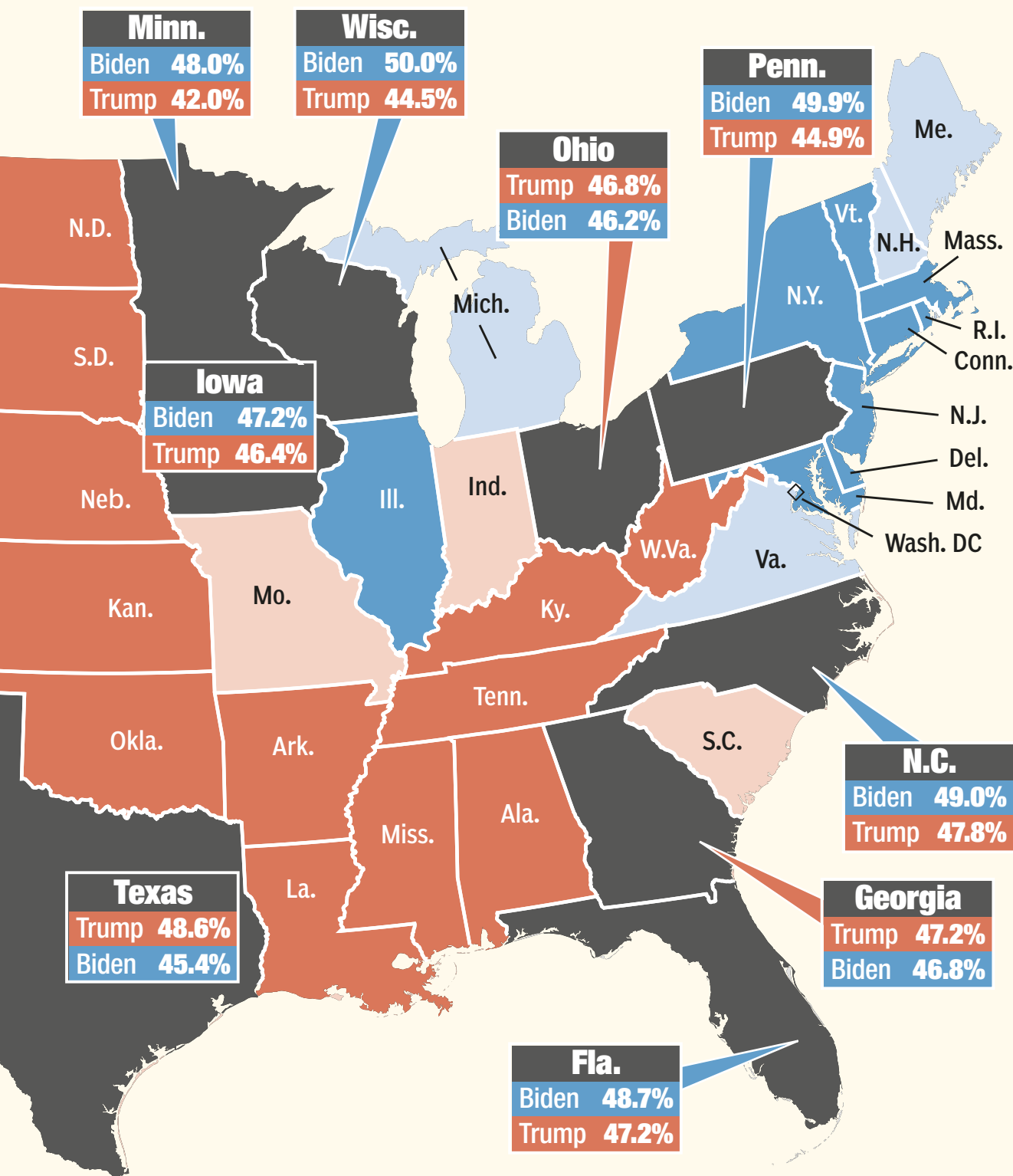
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Trump: 125
Undecided: 181

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STAKES STATES



Stretch run in battlegrounds

By STEVEN NELSON, EBONY BOWDEN
and AARON FEIS

Heading into the final week before Election Day, President Trump held three Pennsylvania rallies Monday, while Joe Biden was barely seen, nursing a nearly 8-point national lead in the polls.

On the heels of a Sunday rally in New Hampshire, Trump presided over three raucous campaign events across the Keystone State, which could live up to its nickname as a possible make-or-break battleground in the 2020 presidential race.

Biden, meanwhile, maintained his low-key schedule, holding a small surprise event in Chester, Pa. — just over the river from his Wilmington, Del., home, where he held a second gathering later in the day.

The former vice president holds a 5-point lead in purple Pennsylvania — home to 20 electoral votes — according to a RealClearPolitics average of polls.

He has opened up a 7.8-point national lead, according to RCP's average as of Monday afternoon.

Among typical swing states, Biden has gained the healthiest lead — 8.1 points — in Michigan, home to 16 electoral votes, RCP reported Monday.

Trump, meanwhile, maintains a 3.2-point margin in Texas, despite bullish hopes by the Biden camp that Democrats can swing the state and its 38 electoral votes blue for the first time since 1976.

The most closely contested battleground state, according to RCP, is 16-electoral-vote Georgia, where Trump maintained a razor-thin 0.4-point polling lead as of Monday.

Ohio, with 18 electoral votes, and Iowa, with 6, also sat within 1-point margins as of Monday afternoon, tilting respectively toward Trump and Biden.

All of those states — Pennsylvania, Michigan, Texas, Georgia, Ohio and Iowa — broke for Trump in 2016.

Down the stretch of the final week to Nov. 3, Trump has another three-pack of rallies planned for Tuesday, with one apiece in Michigan, Wisconsin and Nebraska.

Wisconsin, which gave Trump 10 electoral votes in 2016, is as of Monday skewing 5.4 points toward Biden, while five-vote Nebraska — one of just two states to split its electoral votes — is projected to break 4-1 for Trump, after delivering him a clean sweep four years ago.

Biden on Tuesday will head South to try to pry Georgia away from Trump.

A cumulative 270 electoral votes are needed to clinch the presidency, but a winner is not expected to be declared on Election Night this year, thanks to a crush of mail-in ballots amid the coronavirus pandemic.

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Street slay & suicide

Shocks safe FiDi

By SAM RASKIN,
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and TINA MOORE

A man fatally shot his wife before turning the weapon on himself on a lower Manhattan sidewalk Monday morning in a neighborhood that has historically been largely spared violent crime, authorities said.

The 46-year-old man shot the woman, 40, twice in the head and then blasted himself in the head on Morris and Greenwich streets in the Financial District around 9:20 a.m., authorities said.

The man was also found with a laceration to his neck, and it's believed he slashed himself with a knife, sources said.

Police sources identified the victim as Min Ai and the shooter as Xin Yu.

The wife was pronounced dead at the scene at around 9:30 a.m., police said.

The husband was taken to NewYork-Presbyterian Lower Manhattan Hospital, where he, too, succumbed to his wounds about 15 minutes later.

A man who works in a nearby building heard what he later figured were gunshots from the murder-suicide — but at first, he did not realize what it was.

"It sounded like a crash, like a violent noise," said Mike Lipstein, a 62-year-old accountant.

"To tell you the truth, I didn't think twice because there's so much traffic around here. I figured maybe somebody backed into somebody."

Area resident Oliver Thordarson, 57, said such acts of violence had been a rarity in the neighborhood until recently.

"There usually isn't any crime here," Thordarson said. "But in these economic times, there has been an increase."

He added, "There have been incidents of guns being displayed in the neighborhood, so we don't really go out late at night."

Three shell casings, a Glock 9mm weapon and a knife were recovered at the scene, police and sources said.

Cops did not immediately know what led up to the shooting.

Violent crime has plagued other parts of the city in 2020, but the murder-suicide marks the first killing of the year in the police precinct that covers the Financial District.

Additional reporting by Amanda Woods

China \$lap at US arms firms

China said Monday it will impose sanctions on US military contractors, such as Boeing's defense unit, Lockheed Martin, and Raytheon Technologies.

The decision comes a week after the State Department approved \$1.8 billion in arms sales to Taiwan, a quasi-independent island territory that Beijing considers a rogue province of China.

Emily Jacobs, Wires

Feline beelines from fire

A cat stuck in a burning apartment in Harlem took a leap of faith and survived with all nine lives intact.

Aaron Ganaway recorded the orange tabby — which appeared half-blackened by the blaze — on the second-floor ledge of the building (right) at East 135th Street and Fifth Avenue Saturday evening.

As the fire inched closer, the terrified feline tried to scale down the side of the building before it let go, narrowly missing the officers on the ground who were trying to catch it, the footage shows.

Thankfully, the cat survived and was brought to a local animal shelter (above), where it was treated for smoke inhalation, WNBC reported.

Seven people, including two cops, were injured in the blaze started by a man who did not live in the building, police said.

Police said Willie Manning, 61, locked himself in a second-story unit and lit the fire when they showed up to enforce a restraining order.

Jackie Salo



Aaron Ganaway

Vax 'for old & young' New Calif. blaze hell

A COVID-19 vaccine that is considered a front-runner in the race for an inoculation against the deadly bug produces a similar immune response among older and younger adults, British drug-maker AstraZeneca says.

Adverse reactions of the vaccine, being developed in conjunction with Oxford University, were lower

among the elderly, the company said.

"The results further build the body of evidence for the safety and immunogenicity of AZD1222," a company rep said on Monday.

News that older people get an immune response is encouraging because they are most at risk of dying from the disease.

Yaron Steinbuch

A fast-burning wildfire triggered evacuation orders for 60,000 Southern Californians on Monday as hundreds of thousands elsewhere in the state endured a second straight day of power shutoffs due to heightened fire risks from high winds.

The latest threats came amid California's worst wildfire season on record in

terms of landscape burned, with more than 4 million acres scorched since the start of the year, along with thousands of homes destroyed and 31 lives lost.

A wind-driven blaze dubbed the Silverado fire erupted early Monday and quickly spread across 2,000 acres of Orange County by midday.

AP

CITY IN CRISIS

2 dead, 2 hurt in city shootings

Four people were shot — two fatally — in three incidents across the city Sunday and Monday, police said.

At around 11:30 p.m. Sunday, a 27-year-old man was shot twice in the leg on 70th Street near 14th Avenue in Bensonhurst, cops said. He was taken to Maimonides Medical Center in stable condition.

Nearly two hours earlier, on Parsons Boulevard near 65th Avenue in Kew Gardens Hills, a 30-year-old woman was fighting with her boyfriend when her friend intervened and accidentally shot her in the ankle, cops said. The bullet was meant for the victim's beau, according to cops.

The victim was taken to NewYork-Presbyterian Queens in stable condition, and her gun-toting friend, a woman, fled, cops said.

Also, a 46-year-old man killed his wife, 40, before turning the weapon on himself at around 9:20 a.m. Monday in the Financial District. (See story opposite page.)

Amanda Woods

Even off duty, cop is a hero

An off-duty NYPD cop tackled a shooter outside a Queens deli Monday night and held the man until on-duty police arrived, authorities said.

Officer Jason Maharaj was inside the deli on Cross Bay Boulevard in Jamaica at about 6:15 p.m. when a 63-year-old man, who is believed to be homeless, fired a shot into the store, police said.

The bullet struck a 26-year-old patron, according to authorities.

Maharaj, who has been on the force for two years, ran outside, tackled the shooter and wrestled the gun away from him.

The suspect was taken into custody and police recovered a Colt .45 handgun at the scene, sources said.

The victim was taken to Jamaica Hospital in stable condition.

Joe Marino

YOU NUTS, BLAS?!



Yeah, sure, Chirl hotline is the Rx for violence by mentally ill

HORROR ON THE TRACKS: This 28-year-old New Jersey woman was pushed onto the tracks at the Times Square subway station Friday, allegedly by Joshua Diaz (inset).

Robert Miller

By JULIA MARSH

Mayor de Blasio urged New Yorkers to call a hotline run by his wife's oft-criticized \$1.25 billion ThriveNYC program when asked how he planned to address the problem of the city's mentally ill homeless following a terrifying incident in which a woman was pushed to the subway tracks by an allegedly unstable man.

"I want to encourage anyone, if there's someone in your life with a problem, pick up that phone and call 1-888-NYC-WELL so we can get the help that you need," de Blasio said when asked at his daily press briefing about what

ThriveNYC was doing to stop incidents like the one Friday on the N-Q-R platform at the Times Square station.

Police took Joshua Diaz, 30, into custody later Friday because he matched the description of the suspect wanted for the unprovoked attack on the 28-year-old New Jersey woman. She survived the assault with minor injuries.

Diaz was admitted to Jacobi Hospital in The Bronx for a psychiatric evaluation, according to a source.

He has been arrested 30 times on charges that include burglary, assault, resisting arrest and criminal trespass. He was collared last month for allegedly sitting in the

vehicles of strangers in Queens.

Despite being asked about it specifically, de Blasio did not address the shoving incident, and instead boasted that there's been "a huge uptick in the amount of New Yorkers turning to Thrive, across the spectrum" during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The hotline saw a 17 percent surge in calls at the height of the city's coronavirus crisis, but it still missed its annual target to actually connect people to services.

When asked about that shortfall, as tallied by his own office, de Blasio said he wasn't aware of it.

"I don't have that part of the Mayor's Management Report in

front of me to speak to it specifically," he said, adding, "There's a huge number of examples of people getting connected to services... Where... it doesn't happen, we need to... fix that," de Blasio said.

City First Lady Chirlane McCray launched ThriveNYC in 2015. The billion-dollar boondoggle has struggled to show outcomes for improving the problems of the mentally ill.

A spokeswoman for ThriveNYC did not return a message about how the program is helping the mentally ill beyond the hotline.

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Subway crime still thrives amid COV

This year's dramatic drop in subway ridership due to the COVID-19 crisis has not been accompanied by a similar drop in subway crime, statistics show.

NYPD stats released by the MTA on Friday show 22 felony assaults on the subways last month — a

tiny drop from 24 felony assaults last September.

Despite a plunge in ridership of 70 percent or more throughout the pandemic, overall felonies are down only 24 percent year-over-year in the transit system — and murders, rapes and burglaries have

actually increased.

The system saw two murders through September 2019, but there were five through September 2020. Rapes increased from three to five, and burglaries jumped from five to 22.

But robberies and grand

larcenies dropped 35 percent and 66 percent, respectively.

Subway ridership in September was at around 1.4 million people per day, compared with more than 5 million pre-pandemic.

"We are concerned about these statistics and

have been for many months," MTA rep Abbey Collins said. "We have called on our partners at the NYPD to have a more significant and effective presence in the system, and we continue to support their efforts."

David Meyer

Nxivm leader will make his case to court

By REBECCA ROSENBERG
and KATE SHEEHY

Keith Raniere, the sex-obsessed Svengali at the helm of the upstate cult Nxivm, has vowed to protest his innocence at his sentencing in Brooklyn federal court Tuesday.

Also set to address the judge are about 10 victims of the 60-year-old Raniere — who faces up to life behind bars for masquerading as a self-help guru while leading the twisted master-slave group and abusing scores of members.

Asked by NBC's "Dateline" in an interview that aired last week whether he planned to speak at his sentencing, Raniere replied, "Yes, I'm innocent."

"And although it is — this is a horrible tragedy, with many, many people being hurt — I think the main thrust of this has been the oppression," he added, suggesting his rights were being violated.

"There is a horrible injustice here. And whether you think I'm the devil or not, the justice process has to be examined."

Raniere, who did not testify during his trial last year, was found guilty for a slew of charges related to his leadership of the Albany-based group, including sex-trafficking, racketeering, possession of child pornography and forced labor.

Nxivm presented itself as a professional-development organization and Raniere as a genius humanitarian, concert-level pianist and judo champion.

The organization boasted high-profile members — including "Smallville" actress Allison Mack and the son of a former Mexican president — while enjoying financial backing from the heiresses to the Seagram's liquor fortune.

But at Raniere's explosive seven-week trial in early 2019, former members testified that they had been duped into becoming "slaves" after handing over damaging "collateral" such as nude photos — and that they were then branded with his initials above their genitals (inset), put on starvation diets and groomed for sex with him.

Raniere "portrayed himself as a savant and a genius" yet was nothing more than "a massive manipulator, a con man and the crime boss of a cult-like organization involving sex trafficking, child pornography, extortion-compelled abortions, branding, degradation and humiliation," then-Brooklyn US Attorney Richard Donohue said after the silver-tongued fraudster was convicted.



Among those expected to deliver victim-impact statements at Raniere's sentencing are a former sex slave identified only as Camila. She was just 15 when she was recruited by Raniere from Mexico to serve as his first sex slave, prosecutors said.

Raniere also brought Camila's two older sisters with them to New York — and had sex with each of the siblings, the feds alleged.

One of the sisters, Daniela, was kept in a room for two years — to atone for falling in love with another man, prosecutors said at Raniere's trial.

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HIS TURN: Keith Raniere, who was convicted for his role leading the Nxivm sex cult, says he plans to address the sentencing court. "The justice process has to be examined," he said.

Patrick Dodson

Sex fiend cries 'oppression'

'Actress made me a slave'

The daughter of "Dynasty" soap star Catherine Oxenberg has opened up about how actress Allison Mack allegedly lured her into becoming a Nxivm "slave."

India Oxenberg, 29, joined the upstate self-help organization headed by Keith Raniere when she was 19, she said on Sunday's episode of Starz's "Seduced: Inside the NXIVM Cult."

Oxenberg said she "felt completely desperate" when Mack approached her about joining.

After Oxenberg turned over a letter with deeply personal dirt about her family, the "Smallville" star invited her into Nxivm's DOS offshoot, describing it as a

women's empowerment group.

Oxenberg said she began fulfilling tasks for Mack, including journaling about "things I felt uncomfortable with that were sexual or that felt intimate."

The orders grew more extreme, and Mack put Oxenberg on a restrictive diet to bring her weight down to 107 pounds — the emaciated shape Raniere preferred.

At Mack's urging, Oxenberg distanced herself from her family and broke up with her boyfriend.

Then she gave her a new task. "She told me: Your assignment is to seduce Keith," Oxenberg said in the episode's cliffhanger.

Rebecca Rosenberg

Warning vs. Iran missiles

A senior US official threatened on Monday that the United States would blow up any Iranian missile shipments that reach Venezuela.

"We will make every effort to stop shipments of long-range missiles, and if somehow they get to Venezuela, they will be eliminated there," the anonymous senior administration official told Fox News.

Elliott Abrams, the US State Department special representative for Iran and Venezuela, was quoted as saying, "The transfer of long-range missiles from Iran to Venezuela is not acceptable to the United States and will not be tolerated or permitted."

Fox News reported that there is no evidence that Iran is shipping missiles to Venezuela but that the threat was made to deter a potential relationship between the heavily sanctioned US adversaries.

President Trump has denounced Venezuela's socialist strongman, Nicolas Maduro, and the US last year recognized opposition leader Juan Guaido as Venezuela's rightful leader.

Then-White House National Security Adviser John Bolton quarterbacked a failed effort by Guaido to depose Maduro last year, unsuccessfully urging a military uprising amid soaring crime and inflation.

Steven Nelson

Outrage over airline exam

Several female passengers on a Qatar Airways flight to Sydney were removed from the plane and forced to undergo vaginal exams after a newborn was found abandoned in a toilet at Qatar's Doha airport.

The women were taken off the plane at the airport on Oct. 2, strip-searched and subjected to "invasive" exams in an ambulance, according to news.com.au.

Australian officials said they had complained about the "grossly disturbing" incident to Qatari officials, the BBC reported.

Qatar Airways did not return a Post request for comment.

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She's a phone-y

RACHEL Dolezal — the white woman who infamously passed herself off as black — is now making money on Cameo. While celebs often charge hundreds of dollars on the site — which allows fans to pay for personalized video messages — Dolezal's asking just \$37 for a clip, and people can chat with her for \$2.99. According to the site, she's done videos wishing people a happy birthday and congratulated one person on passing dental board exams. A review from someone who hired her said, it was "Sort of a joke, or whatever." Dolezal was revealed to be white in 2015 while she was working for the NAACP.



Rattles for Rata

EMILY Ratajkowski (above) is pregnant, she said Monday. It will be the model's first child with husband **Sebastian Bear-McClard**, whom she married in 2018. Meanwhile, **Lena Dunham** made a film for Vogue about pal Ratajkowski's early weeks of pregnancy, also released Monday. The clip features Ratajkowski reading a letter that she's written to the baby. "There's a quietness that comes with pregnancy, a humbling," she narrates. "I'm listening for you. I'm full of wonder."

Greg Williams

WHILE most powerful men would do anything to keep their names out of court papers related to Jeffrey Epstein and his infamous sidekick **Ghislaine Maxwell** — lawyer **Alan Dershowitz** is asking a federal judge to *unredact* his name in a just-unsealed 418-page deposition by Maxwell from 2016.

Maxwell's deposition stems from a defamation suit against her by alleged Epstein victim **Virginia Giuffre**. The suit was reportedly settled in 2017, but the documents have been made public as Maxwell faces 35 years in prison for allegedly being in cahoots with Epstein. She has pleaded not guilty.

Dershowitz is separately suing Giuffre for

defamation after she accused him of having sex with her when she was Epstein's sex slave. Giuffre sued him for defamation first when he denied the claims.

But Dershowitz told Page Six why he wants his name public: "I have fought to have all material in the case unsealed, and all names unredacted, so that Giuffre's outlandish stories ... can be exposed for what they are: false. I have nothing to hide, whereas Giuffre does, as the e-mails and book manuscript that she tried to hide prove that she never met me. Everything in this case should be unsealed."

On Thursday, Dershowitz's lawyers, **Imran Ansari** and **Arthur Aidala**, wrote US District

Judge **Loretta Preska** in Maxwell's case that Dershowitz's name "appears multiple times within the transcript, but has been subject to redaction." Dershowitz, "however, desires just the opposite — and requests that his name be fully displayed in the transcript where it appears."

Two days earlier, Preska had ordered the Maxwell deposition unsealed with "minimal redactions" to block any personal, identifiable information that reveals the names of non-parties or their families in the court documents.

Some outlets have been trying to "crack" the redactions and guess the names, but Dershowitz wants his known.

Giuffre's attorney did not get back to us.

H'wood history

MANY of late producer and former Paramount studio chief Robert Evans' personal items were sold at auction over the weekend, but some of his most prized pieces will remain at his Beverly Hills estate, which was recently landmarked and is undergoing a top-to-bottom restoration under its new owner **David Zaslav**. Evans told the WSJ in 2013 that among his "favorite things" at the house — called Woodland — was an 1872 Steinway piano, which was a divorce gift from ex-wife Phyllis George, and played by everyone from **Dustin Hoffman** to **Warren Beatty**. The piano was purchased by Zaslav, the president and CEO of Discovery Inc., as well as other items, including an umpire chair built and gifted by Hoffman for the tennis court. The piano is being restored. Former White House decorator **Michael Smith** is overseeing the restoration, which will include rebuilding the famed pool house screening room that burned down over a decade ago and where dailies for era-defining films like "The Godfather," "Rosemary's Baby" and "Chinatown" were viewed. The screening room was, in its day, the largest of its kind.



Guitar solo

WERE all those guitar lessons for nothing? A **Bob Dylan** biopic starring **Timothée Chalamet** (above) as the iconic folk-rocker has been put on ice, according to its cinematographer. Page Six previously reported that Chalamet has been seen around town with a Gibson guitar case headed to lessons for the film, which was to be directed by **James Mangold**. But in a new interview with Collider, cinematographer **Phe-don Papamichael** let it slip the Dylan project is on hold. "I don't think it's dead, but it's a tough one to pull off in a COVID era because it's all in small clubs with lots of extras in period costumes, so you've got lots of hair and makeup," he said. "So our next project is 'Indiana Jones 5,' actually. Mangold's doing that."



Christian Serratos, who plays slain singer Selena in Netflix's upcoming "Selena: The Series," shines as one of Elle's nine rising Hollywood stars to watch.

ELLE

'Barn' door suit settled

A Manhattan socialite who fell through a trap door at an Upper East Side Pottery Barn store last year has settled her suit with the home-decor chain. We reported in December that **Jane Scher** — the mother of **Libbie Mugrabi** — claimed she was "lucky to be alive" after an ill-fated Black Friday shopping trip. Scher alleged in court documents that at a Pottery Barn Teen store, she fell "down an unprotected ... hole in the floor that was not guarded, barricaded or warned against in any manner." The New York State Supreme Court suit claimed she "sustained serious and severe personal injuries" as a result of the fall that also damaged her "beautiful J. Mendel mink coat," plus pricey bracelets from Van Cleef & Arpels. She was also carrying a Birkin bag when she took the tumble. Court documents filed last week reveal that the parties settled the suit for an undisclosed sum, and the case was dropped. A rep for Pottery Barn had no comment. A friend of Scher — who is a cosmetic nurse at SkinTight Med-Spa — told us: "She's very happy with the settlement and glad to put the accident behind her."

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Beltway bound

MR. Zampolli goes to Washington. After making a fortune in New York real estate, **Paolo Zampolli** has relocated to DC, Page Six is told. We hear the modeling-agent-turned-property-mogul has moved into a 14,000-square-foot, \$17 million Georgetown pad — and hired a former Cipriani chef as a private cook. Zampolli — who famously introduced President **Trump** to **Melania** — hosted a debate-night party to celebrate his arrival, with guests including Blackwater founder **Erik Prince** and Fox News' **Sara Carter** (who, we're told, had to duck out to appear on "The Ingraham Angle"). Page Six readers will remember that the ID Models founder and his partner, **Amanda Ungaro**, went through an ugly patch in 2018 — but we're told they're happily back together and looking forward to life together in their new city. Apparently, Zampolli is planning to host a Davos-style economic forum in DC next year. Meanwhile, we're told that the first thing he shipped to his new home is a giant oil portrait of Trump.

See more of her

JANE Seymour's been bizarrely busy during the pandemic. "It's completely insane," Seymour told us. "My agents, at one point, pointed out to me that I was literally their only client at the time working in any category. I've worked on three projects back to back." The English-born actress has two projects out now, a **Robert De Niro** comedy, "The War With Grandpa," and the raucous holiday-themed film, "Friendsgiving," in which she plays **Malin Akerman's** free-spirited mother. Plus, there's her recurring role on "The Kominsky Method," and she's currently in Madrid playing Eleanor of Aquitaine.



Keanu Reeves sports a short haircut in Berlin, where he's filming scenes for "The Matrix 4."

An Elle of a race drama

FORMER executive fashion director at Hearst's Elle magazine **Kyle Anderson** stepped into a social-media storm when he Instagrammed, "Stop firing employees because they are white, especially men." The message was posted over an image of a New York Times article that ran this weekend about **Anna Wintour** and Vogue's missteps with race. "All white guys I worked with lost their position in editorial over the past three years," he wrote. "Every white man (only) in my office lost their jobs on the same day. My personal story is horrendous and caused severe trauma." He also took offense to companies letting people go and "then saying how proud you are to get rid of them and how it's the right time." The message was posted on Twitter by a commentator who sarcastically stated, "White men are so oppressed and the world is certainly not built for their success to the detriment of women and POC." Anderson promptly responded, "F**k you asshole." According to his LinkedIn, Anderson worked for Elle from October 2017 to September 2018, and was previously at the mag from 2006 to 2011. He did not respond for comment.

We hear

THAT "Extra" host **Jenn Lahmers** and her ex **Julien Marlon** are launching a new podcast called "Ex Appeal" on Wednesday... THAT art curator **Rachel Vancelette** has recruited 70 top contemporary artists to design puzzles for Puzzles With Purpose, to raise money for COVID-19 charities and the Black Lives Matter movement.



Serena Williams, 39, pairs a sexy bodysuit with red Stuart Weitzman boots, posting on Insta: "These boots. Are made. For walking." Probably not for playing tennis.

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You bet NYC will be back



Cindy Adams

CIRCA 1626, the Dutch bought this land for what a stale bagel and lousy coffee costs today: \$24. Trade began. Peter Minuit arrived with his household. And what would any wife do? Shop. So, long before Gristedes and Bergdorf's — in came merchants. And New York, NY — capital of the world — was born.

Louise Mirrer, New-York Historical Society's CEO: "The 17th-century Dutch knew a harbor's hospitable to commerce. A port for goods. And, like today's New Yorker, they had attitudes. Make money. Make trade. Basically, who cares about you — you looking to make a buck — c'mon. As in, 'If you can make it here,

you can make it anywhere.'

"Tycoon arrivals knew no world-class global city could exist without great cultural institutions such as in London and Paris. So, the Met, Brooklyn Museum, Natural History Museum, an evolution of the arts — theater, dance — began. With access to entertainment, things to do or see after work, people wanted to be here.

"Also, NYC had a free press. We did it first. John Peter Zenger's New York Weekly Journal." And long before the "fake news" era, Mr. Zenger went to trial for "printing seditious libels," won and thus began our indigenous attitude of beating up whoever's in charge.

"Ingredients conflated. Came together like nowhere else. Much to offer. A welcoming diverse society. Queens has more different communities on one block than anywhere else. Plus we have a harbor. Arts. Entertainment. Opportunity. A certain amount of tolerance where, possibly in Seattle, they wouldn't appreciate you. And we're walkable. Accessible.

Whatever you want's 2 miles away. Plus we're one of the first American cities to have municipal transportation."

OK. That's then. Now's now. It's lawlessness, vandals, homeless, high taxes, garbage on streets, no shopping, no theaters, no walking alone at night, forget the subway, forget the mayor, forget the hustle, do not forget the non-taxpaying roaches. So can New York still stay the best damn place in the whole world?

Mirrer: "Absolutely. We have a 400-year history. Disasters, Civil War, near bankruptcy, invasions of cholera, typhoid, smallpox, AIDS. We've had 9/11. Nothing New York hasn't suffered. Fernando Wood, the city's mayor before the Civil War, even thought New York should secede.

"This town is simply not like any other in the world. It'll take a while — but by 2024, everyone will have forgotten. No grass will ever grow on Broadway."



Afraid of 'Shadows'

WEDNESDAY'S the "House of Dark Shadows" 50th anniversary. A big-screen spinoff of the campy daytime soap that scared up so much money it brightened a dark time in MGM's history. Living (and could be dead) fright fans want to re-see that spooky walk in the woods. Star **Kathryn Leigh Scott** says, "This is our busy season," and she's organized a 9 p.m. YouTube cast reunion Halloween night.

Scary is if you can even remember the show.

Kathryn Leigh Scott: Scaring up a celebration of "House of Dark Shadows."

Trick or treat

NO grass grows on anyone else here, either. Amid this pandemic, pre-election panic and groceries limiting one roll to a customer toilet paper, comes a giant shopping bag from **Martha Stewart** and p.r.'s **Susan Magrino** with Wölffer Estate's rosé wines, the New York City Wine & Food Festival tasties, plus masks, Cuisinart, Irish whiskey, ceramic mugs, chocolate, spices, bottle

openers, corkscrews, key-chain, stationery, jigsaw puzzle ... and 30 more goodies. Anyone sending this to anyone in Kansas?

Taxman here

MEANWHILE, lest nobody dare think even weeds can grow in this town, comes a report from a delinquent taxpayers' official Web site. It lists 15 **Nello Balan** establishments — who knew he had this many — plus a few other New

Yorkers like maybe a "taxi king," who somehow seems somewhat delayed in giving something sometime in terms of some money to some government somewhere.

CV melodrama. Actor: "I'm working." Singer: "Off-Broadway?" Actor: "No." Singer: "Road company?" Actor: "No." Singer: "Good money?" Actor: "No. In the second act, they give us soup."

Only in New York, kids, only in New York.

SBA rips brass on 'Don' cop

The Sergeants Benevolent Association has accused NYPD top brass of a “double standard” after an officer was suspended for blaring “Trump 2020” over a patrol-car loud-speaker — while his boss was praised for taking a knee with Black Lives Matter protesters.

“The NYPD has a history of officers making political & outside the norm statements & ignoring it,” the SBA tweeted Sunday amid the investigation into Saturday’s incident in Brooklyn.

“Suspending this officer is unnecessary & way over the top. Chief of Department took a knee with protestors no disciplinary action was issued,” the SBA said of Terence Monahan.

The union then posted a New York Post photo of Monahan taking a knee with George Floyd protesters on June 1.

“What’s the status of this investigation? Oh wait double standard white shirt immunity!” the SBA tweeted.

Monahan had joined Police Commissioner Dermot Shea as well as Mayor de Blasio in condemning videos that showed an officer repeatedly saying, “Trump 2020” in Flatbush on Saturday night.

The officer, whom police sources identified as Arthur Becerra of the 70th Precinct, was suspended without pay Sunday.

Lee Brown

Fox crew COV alert

Fox News Media President Jay Wallace and several network personalities have been advised to quarantine after being exposed to someone who later tested positive for the coronavirus, according to a report.

The infected person was on a chartered flight with the Fox contingent traveling from Nashville — where the last presidential debate was held — to New York City, The New York Times reported.

Chief political anchor Bret Baier, “The Story” anchor Martha MacCallum and “The Five” hosts Dana Perino and Juan Williams were also on board. All were told to quarantine.

Yaron Steinbuch



Kim is
the big
4-whoa!

Kim Kardashian celebrates her 40th birthday as only she can — with a sizzling bikini photo shoot. The reality star, who officially hit the milestone Wednesday, shared this shot and others on Instagram Monday with the caption, “This is 40!”

Instagram

TREES GROW MONEY

Shop sells leaves

By KIRSTEN FLEMING and HANNAH SPARKS

Move over pumpkin-spiced lattes.

Retailers have a new high-priced autumnal harbinger they’re hoping customers will fall for.

San Francisco-based boutique grocer Bi-Rite is peddling “organic” red, orange and yellow leaves wrapped in brown craft paper for \$14.95 per bunch.

They’re pesticide-free and freshly pruned from the maple trees of McGinnis Ranch, a certified organic farm in Watsonville, Calif.

“They are three- to five-foot-tall branches with beautiful leaves,” Sandi McGinnis-Garcia, a co-owner of McGinnis Ranch, told The Post.

Collecting the foliage is a labor-intensive process, explained McGinnis-Garcia, who sells them to Bi-Rite for \$7.50 a bunch.

“I have to get on a ladder, put it in a cooler of water and drive the 99 miles to the city,” she said.

“It’s not like I am snapping off branches from the side of the road.”

Bi-Rite isn’t the only retailer selling displays of color-changing leaves.

Dried Decor, an online seller of dried decorative plants, as well as crafters on Etsy are also promoting hand-plucked, carefully preserved leaves for a price.

If \$15 seems steep for a heap of landscaping waste, Bi-Rite assures shoppers that they are getting only top-quality organic refuse.

“Our prices are a reflection of the quality of the



Emily Iverson

WHO’S FALLING FOR THIS?
A bundle of fall foliage for sale at a Bi-Rite market in California.

food, ingredients and flowers we sell, which come from farmers and ranchers who use methods that protect the land and the people who work it,” a Bi-Rite spokesperson told Vice.

“We want to pay these farmers who operate more responsibly a fair price to help ensure they can continue farming for decades to come.”

James DeSantis, the landscaping star of Bravo’s “Backyard Envy,” says that with the right marketing, Bi-Rite could charge foliage-starved West Coasters even more.

“The sign just says ‘fall leaves,’ but they should say ‘fall foliage branches’ and could have charged \$22,” DeSantis told The Post.

Bi-Rite plans to offer additional fall foliage options, but didn’t say at what price.

“As the maple season winds down, we expect to have other autumn leaves, such as oak and pistache, from Figone Ranch,” in Half Moon Bay, Calif., the Bi-Rite spokesperson said.

NASA hails another lunar-water find



Me-wow.

A rare two-headed snake was recently discovered inside of a Florida home by a family's pet cat.

The double-headed southern black racer was found at the Rogers residence in Palm Harbor, officials said. The family's cat, Olive, made the find and dropped it on the living room floor.

Menace to sobriety.

An allegedly drunken man was arrested in Pennsylvania after police say he screamed out that he was "the son of God" and tossed items into the street.

Martin Miller, 42, was busted on charges of public drunkenness and disorderly conduct in connection to the 5 a.m. incident in Altoona on Oct. 14.

A thief swiped a man's roadside egg stand in Rhode Island last week.

Guy Daniels had the stand with an honor system hawking a dozen eggs for \$3 set up in front of his driveway.

"Someone stole the eggs, the mini-refrigerator they were in and the money," said Daniels.

"I can't afford to buy another fridge so I'll try using a cooler. What a discouraging way to start the day," Daniels vented in a Facebook post.

Un-bee-lievable.

A Chinese man broke a Guinness World Record when he covered his body from head to toe in more than 140 pounds of living bees.

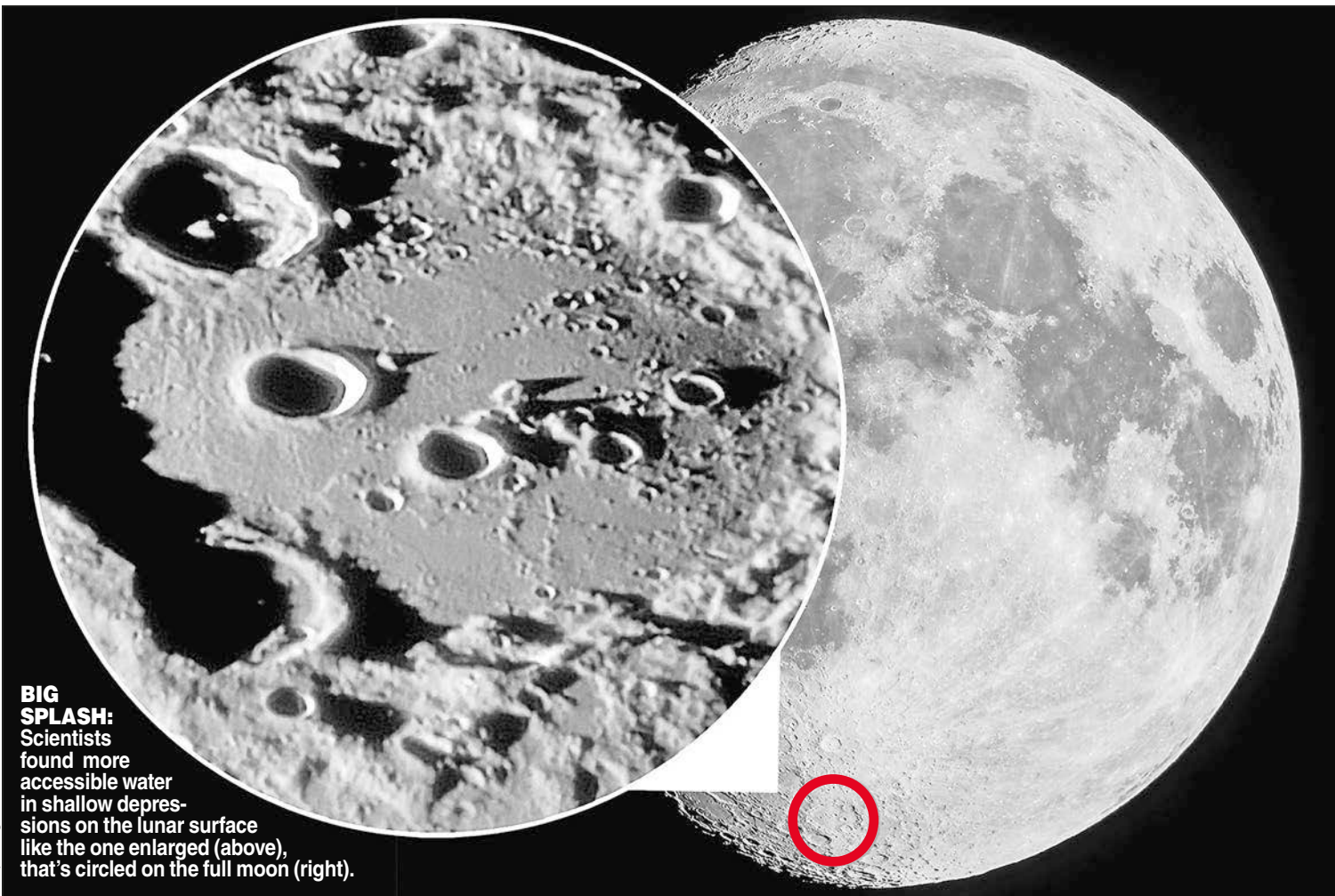
Ruan Liangming had several buckets filled with bees dumped over his head in Yichun City, earning him the record for heaviest mantle of bees.

An escaped horse ran wild on a jaunt through the streets of two different towns in Washington state over the weekend.

The Marysville Police Department said a horse named Jag escaped from his owner's home in Marysville on Sunday and then made its way to Arlington before finally being corralled by cops.

Police used social media to successfully track down Jag's owners and reunite them with the animal.

Natalie Musumeci, Wires



BIG SPLASH: Scientists found more accessible water in shallow depressions on the lunar surface like the one enlarged (above), that's circled on the full moon (right).

Getty Images

Over the moon!

By KATE SHEEHY

NASA scientists have found there's more water on the moon than previously thought — a crucial discovery that could help fuel deep-space exploration, the agency revealed Monday.

The water — discovered for the first time in areas outside the moon's sunless frigid poles — is possibly trapped in "glass beads" about the size of pencil tips in the soil, agency officials said at a press conference.

"This discovery that water might be distributed across the lunar surface and not limited" to ice at the

poles suggests it could be "accessible as a human resource," said Paul Hertz, NASA's astrophysics director.

Enough water was detected in a cubic meter of sunlit soil to fill a 12-ounce bottle, said Casey Honniball of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md.

She said the water may have come from a combination of hydrogen molecules in solar rings mixed with oxygen in the moon's powdery soil.

"We think the water is trapped in these glass beads... which protects and preserves [it]," Honniball said.

The stunning discovery was made by a Boeing 747SP jet-turned-space

laboratory known as SOFIA, the Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy.

The data-collecting spacecraft typically tracks stars — but its operators decided to use it to examine the moon starting in 2018.

"It's incredible that this discovery came out of what was essentially a test, and now that we know we can do this, we're planning more flights to do more observation," SOFIA scientist Naseem Rangwala said.

Scientists are hoping there is enough water on the moon to support bases there so we could eventually planet-hop around the galaxy.

The idea is that extraterrestrial water could be used for everything from drinking to the extraction of oxygen for astronauts to breathe, as well as even the moon manufacturing of rocket fuel.

Scientists still have to determine what form the newly discovered water is in, how much of it exists and whether it can be extracted, said Jacob Bleacher, head of the Human Exploration and Operations Mission Directorate at NASA.

"It's far easier to travel when you don't have to carry everything with you for the entire trip," he said.

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Grisly end for Kurdish 'militant'

A suspected Kurdish militant killed himself by detonating explosives following a police chase Monday near Turkey's border with Syria, and a second suspect was slain by security forces, officials said.

A small number of people were injured in the town of Iskenderun, in Hatay province, the region's governor said.

None of them were in serious condition.

Gov. Rahmi Dogan said police tried to stop the militants' vehicle at a road block close to the town of Payas, triggering the chase that continued into Iskenderun.

The suspects then tried to escape on foot. One of them died after setting off an explosion, while the second was killed by the security forces, Dogan told

reporters. CNN-Turk television said the explosion was caused by a hand grenade.

The governor said the unidentified suspects were affiliated with the outlawed Kurdistan Workers Party. Dogan added that they were part of a group of militants who had flown to the nearby Amanos Mountains from the Syrian town of Manbij, using powered paragliders.

AP

LOCAL FLAVOR: Harlem-based chef Marcus Samuelsson's "The Rise" dissects recipes by black chefs from all over the country.

TASTE MAKERS

New book spotlights the unsung black chefs who shaped American cuisine

Angie Mosier

It's hard to think of a book better-timed than Marcus Samuelsson's "The Rise: Black Cooks and the Soul of American Food," a luminous journey through the many-splendored worlds of black-American cuisine.

Part cookbook, part tasty history lesson, it adds a sweet note to the belated celebration of under-appreciated black artists, writers, filmmakers, inventors and business innovators. The book's also a mood-lifter for this terrible pandemic year. What's more heart-warming than 300 pages of food illustrations so luscious-looking, you want to eat them off the pages?

Born in Ethiopia and raised in Sweden, Samuelsson personifies the archetypal multicultural, immigrant New Yorker. He's best known as the



Steve Guozzo

award-winning former chef of Aquavit and the pilot of his thriving, game-changing Harlem restaurant, Red Rooster.

And he's a damn good writer. He brings to vivid life a sprawling constellation of black American chefs — some famous, some little known — and their creations. It took Samuelsson, his co-author Osayi Endolyn, photographers, researchers and recipe testers four years to produce — "a big lift for my team, like the Olympics," he told The Post.

"The Rise" reveals the eye-popping scope of black culinary genius, integral to what Samuelsson calls "the beauty of America."

"You can't think of American music without black music, and it's the same with American food," he told The Post.

Some people still perceive black-American cuisine mainly through the prism of Southern

HIT THE SPOT

New York City-based chefs and restaurateurs featured in "The Rise" that you can support now.

ALEXANDER SMALLS

Founder of the **Cecil** (210 W. 118th St.) and **Min-ton's Playhouse** (206 W. 118th St.). Modern steakhouse and atmospheric jazz club next door.

ERIC GESTEL

Executive chef, **Le Bernardin** (155 W. 51st St.). World-famous, three Michelin star French seafood restaurant.

MELBA WILSON

Owner, **Melba's** (300 W. 114th St.). Southern-style popular favorites since 2005.

J.J. JOHNSON

Chef/owner, **Fieldtrip** (109 Malcolm X Blvd.). Counter-service spot for global rice bowl dishes.

TIFFANY JONES

Pastry chef, **Red Rooster** (310 Malcolm X Blvd.). Marcus Samuelsson's hot spot for African-American and Swedish-influenced "comfort food."

"soul food." More enlightened eaters know the truth is worlds more complex. Dishes with Guyanese, Jamaican and Senegalese origins pop up on many restaurant menus.

But gastronomic cherry-picking can miss how thoroughly woven "black" food is throughout our culinary fabric. The dishes in "The Rise" originated from around the globe. Their chefs made them American, although not of the steak-and-apple-pie school.

"How do people understand black cooking?" Samuelsson mused. "Jamaican cooking is different than Ethiopian cooking or the cooking of the Great Migration" from the American South, he said. In "The Rise," he sets out to honor all the different styles that became part of the American culinary scene.

"The Rise" illuminates scores of chefs' careers and creations. Some are as recognizable as New York's Eric Gestel, Eric Ripert's Martinique-born executive chef at Le Bernardin, and Southern-born J.J. Johnson of Harlem's Fieldtrip. Another is entirely anonymous — an undocumented Mexican immigrant working in a San Diego kitchen.

A unifying theme among many of the book's featured chefs is their enthusiasm to spend time in Africa and learn from the continent's myriad traditions, styles and raw materials.

"I knew I was onto something last year when five of my friends said they were going to Nigeria to learn. In the past, they'd be going to Paris," Samuelsson said.

"It's always been the same with music. Jazz musicians like Miles Davis and Dizzy Gillespie did it all the time. Stevie Wonder went to Nigeria to meet Fela [Kuti]."

Fine, but what about recipes? There are 150 of them, each with a thumbnail history. If you're mystified by buttermilk-baobab broiled peach popsicles, Savannah, Ga., baker Cheryl Day makes the dessert based on the lemony fruit of East Africa's iconic baobab tree seem as easy as apple pie.

Samuelsson managed to corral all the chefs while he was busy running restaurants in New



Tamara Beckwith/NY Post (2)



FRENCH TWIST:

Samuelsson's book honors more than 30 inspiring chefs, including Eric Gestel, a Martinique native who's been making dishes like this barely cooked salmon at Le Bernardin for 16 years.

York and four other cities, organizing charitable events and producing TV shows.

"As with any minority community, there's like an underground network" of acquaintances, he said. But he met many at his annual Harlem EatUp! food festival. "All the best African-American chefs came, so I've cooked with a majority of the people in the book," he said.

Samuelsson was blamed by some Harlemites for "gentrifying" their neighborhood when Red Rooster opened. One chef even accused him of "cultural appropriation."

Samuelsson writes, "Black food matters." But "The Rise" soars above politically correct slogans.

"America is dealing with two pandemics — the pandemic of racism, which has been around longer than COVID," he told The Post. But, "we are highly layered and complex, which from a food point of view can only get more and more delicious."

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION 2020 11/03/2020

CANDIDATE LIST

All Parties and Independent Bodies Nominations for the following offices (Subject to change)

NEW YORK COUNTY

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Green Howie Hawkins / Angela Nicole Walker
Libertarian Jo Jorgensen / Jeremy Cohen
Independence Brock Pierce / Karla Ballard

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
7TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Nydia M. Velazquez
Republican Brian W. Kelly
Conservative Brian W. Kelly
Working Families Nydia M. Velazquez
Libertarian Gilbert Midonnet

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
10TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Jerrold L. Nadler
Republican Cathy A. Bernstein
Conservative Cathy A. Bernstein
Working Families Jerrold L. Nadler
Libertarian Michael Madrid

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
12TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Carolyn B. Maloney
Republican Carlos Santiago-Cano
Conservative Carlos Santiago-Cano
Libertarian Steven Kolln

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
13TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Adriano Espaillat
Republican Lovelynn Gwinn
Conservative Christopher Morris-Perry
Working Families Adriano Espaillat

**STATE SENATOR
26TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Brian Kavanaugh
Republican Lester Chang
Conservative Lester Chang

**STATE SENATOR
27TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Brad M. Hoylman
Working Families Brad M. Hoylman

**STATE SENATOR
28TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Liz Krueger
Republican Michael Zumbluskas
Working Families Liz Krueger
Independence Michael Zumbluskas

**STATE SENATOR
29TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Jose M. Serrano
Republican Jose A. Colon

**STATE SENATOR
30TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Brian A. Benjamin
Republican Oz Sultan

**STATE SENATOR
31ST SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Robert Jackson
Republican Melinda Crump
Working Families Robert Jackson

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
65TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Yuh-Line Niou
Working Families Yuh-Line Niou

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
66TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Deborah J. Glick
Republican Tamara Lashchuk

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67TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Linda B. Rosenthal
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Democratic Daniel J. O'Donnell

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
70TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Inez E. Dickens
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**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
71ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Alfred E. Taylor
Working Families Alfred E. Taylor

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
72ND ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Carmen De La Rosa

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
73RD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Dan Quart
Republican Judith Graham
Working Families Dan Quart

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
74TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Harvey Epstein
Working Families Harvey Epstein

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
75TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Richard N. Gottfried
Working Families Richard N. Gottfried

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
76TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Republican Louis Puliafito
Rise and Unite Rebecca A. Seawright
Liberal Louis Puliafito

**JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
1ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, VOTE FOR 4**

Democratic Carol Sharpe
Democratic Ta-Tanisha James
Democratic David B. Cohen
Democratic Melissa Crane

**JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT
COUNTY NEW YORK, VOTE FOR 3**

Democratic Leticia M. Ramirez
Democratic Eric Schumacher
Democratic Michael L. Katz

**JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT
DISTRICT 1ST MUNICIPAL COURT
DISTRICT NEW YORK, VOTE FOR 2**

Democratic Carolruth Feinman
Democratic John Zhuo Wang

**JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT
DISTRICT 6TH MUNICIPAL COURT
DISTRICT NEW YORK**

Democratic Seth A. Steed

**JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT
DISTRICT 9TH MUNICIPAL COURT
DISTRICT NEW YORK**

Democratic Gerald Lebovits

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Democratic Adriano Espaillat
Republican Lovelynn Gwinn
Conservative Christopher Morris-Perry
Working Families Adriano Espaillat

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
14TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez
Republican John C. Cummings
Conservative John C. Cummings
SAM Michelle Caruso-Cabrera

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
15TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Ritchie Torres
Republican Patrick Delices
Conservative Patrick Delices

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
16TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Jamaal Bowman
Conservative Patrick McManus

**STATE SENATOR
29TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Jose M. Serrano
Republican Jose A. Colon

**STATE SENATOR
32ND SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Luis R. Sepulveda
Conservative Jonathon Weiner

**STATE SENATOR
33RD SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

Democratic J. Gustavo Rivera
Republican Dustin Martinez
Conservative Steven M. Stern
Working Families J. Gustavo Rivera

**STATE SENATOR
34TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

Democratic Alessandra Biaggi
Republican James B. Gisoni
Conservative Antonio Vitiello
Working Families Alessandra Biaggi

**STATE SENATOR
36TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

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Conservative Robert Diamond

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
77TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Latoya Joyner
Republican Tanya Carmichael
Conservative Benjamin Eggleston

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
78TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Jose Rivera
Republican Michael Dister

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
79TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Chantel Jackson
Republican Donald Skinner
Conservative Dion Powell

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
80TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Nathalia Fernandez
Republican Gene A. Defrancis
Conservative Elizabeth Perri

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
81ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Jeffrey Dinowitz
Republican Nicole J. Torres
Conservative Alan H. Reed

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
82ND ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Michael R. Benedetto
Republican John A. DeStefano
Conservative William E. Britt Jr.

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
83RD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Carl Heastie
Republican Brenton Ritchie
Conservative Regina Cartagena

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
84TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Amanda N. Septimo
Republican Rosaline Nieves
Conservative Linda Ortiz
Working Families Amanda N. Septimo
Proven Leader Carmen E. Arroyo

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
85TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

Democratic Kenneth Burgos
Republican Janelle King
Conservative Gabriel Eronosele

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All Parties and Independent Bodies Nominations for the following offices (Subject to change)

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 86TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Victor M. Pichardo
Republican Lorraine E. Zeigler

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 87TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Karines Reyes
Republican Michelle Castillo
Conservative Juan G. Dejesus
Working Families Karines Reyes
Green Carl Lundgren

JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT 12TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, VOTE FOR 3

Democratic Kim Adair Wilson
Republican Orlando Molina
Democratic Andrew J. Cohen
Democratic Bianca Perez

JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT DISTRICT 2ND MUNICIPAL COURT DISTRICT BRONX

Democratic Wanda Y. Negron

KINGS COUNTY

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Working Families Joseph R. Biden / Kamala D. Harris
Green Howie Hawkins / Angela Nicole Walker
Libertarian Jo Jorgensen / Jeremy Cohen
Independence Brock Pierce / Karla Ballard

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 7TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Democratic Nydia M. Velazquez
Republican Brian W. Kelly
Conservative Brian W. Kelly
Working Families Nydia M. Velazquez
Libertarian Gilbert Midonnet

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 8TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Democratic Hakeem S. Jeffries
Republican Garfield H. Wallace
Conservative Garfield H. Wallace
Working Families Hakeem S. Jeffries

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 9TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Democratic Yvette D. Clarke
Republican Constantine Jean-Pierre
Conservative Constantine Jean-Pierre
Working Families Yvette D. Clarke
Libertarian Gary Popkin
SAM Joel B. Anabillah-Azumah

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 10TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Democratic Jerrold L. Nadler
Republican Cathy A. Bernstein
Conservative Cathy A. Bernstein

Working Families Jerrold L. Nadler
Libertarian Michael Madrid

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 11TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Democratic Max N. Rose
Republican Nicole Malliotakis
Conservative Nicole Malliotakis
Independence Max N. Rose

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 12TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Democratic Carolyn B. Maloney
Republican Carlos Santiago-Cano
Conservative Carlos Santiago-Cano
Libertarian Steven Kolln

STATE SENATOR 17TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Democratic Simcha Felder
Republican Simcha Felder
Conservative Simcha Felder

STATE SENATOR 18TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Democratic Julia Salazar
Working Families Julia Salazar
New Moderate Daniel Christmann

STATE SENATOR 19TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Democratic Roxanne J. Persaud

STATE SENATOR 20TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Democratic Zellnor Y. Myrie
Working Families Zellnor Y. Myrie
Libertarian Tucker Coburn

STATE SENATOR 21ST SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Democratic Kevin S. Parker

STATE SENATOR 22ND SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Democratic Andrew S. Gounardes
Republican Vito J. Bruno
Conservative Vito J. Bruno
Working Families Andrew S. Gounardes
Independence Vito J. Bruno
SAM Andrew S. Gounardes

STATE SENATOR 23RD SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Democratic Diane J. Savino
Conservative Justin DeFillippo
Independence Diane J. Savino
SAM John Jairo Rodriguez

STATE SENATOR 25TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Democratic Jabari Brisport
Working Families Jabari Brisport

STATE SENATOR 26TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Democratic Brian Kavanagh
Republican Lester Chang
Conservative Lester Chang

MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL 37TH COUNCIL DISTRICT

Democratic Darma V. Diaz

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 41ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Helene E. Weinstein
Republican Ramona Johnson
Conservative Ramona Johnson
Working Families Helene E. Weinstein

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 42ND ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Rodneyse Bichotte

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 43RD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Diana Richardson
Republican Menachem M. Raitport

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 44TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Robert C. Carroll
Republican Salvatore P. Barrera
Conservative Salvatore P. Barrera
Working Families Robert C. Carroll

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 45TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Steven Cymbrowitz
Working Families Steven Cymbrowitz
Independence Steven Cymbrowitz

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 46TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Mathylde Frontus
Republican Mark Szuszkiewicz
Conservative Mark Szuszkiewicz

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 47TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic William Colton
Republican Barbara Marino
Conservative Barbara Marino
Working Families William Colton

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 48TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Simcha Eichenstein
Conservative Simcha Eichenstein

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 49TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Peter J. Abbate Jr.
Independence Peter J. Abbate Jr.

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 50TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Emily E. Gallagher

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 51ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Marcela Mitaynes
Working Families Marcela Mitaynes

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 52ND ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Jo Anne Simon
Working Families Jo Anne Simon

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 53RD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Maritza Davila

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 54TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Erik Martin Dilan
Republican Khorshed A. Chowdhury
Green Scott Hutchins

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 55TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Latrice Walker

Republican Berneda W. Jackson

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 56TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Stefani L. Zinerman

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 57TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Phara Souffrant Forrest
Working Families Walter T. Mosley III

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 58TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic N. Nick Perry
Working Families N. Nick Perry

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 59TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Jaime R. Williams

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 60TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Charles Barron

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY 64TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Democratic Brandon S. Patterson
Republican Michael Tannousis
Conservative Michael Tannousis
Independence Brandon S. Patterson

JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT 2ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, VOTE FOR 6

Democratic Karen B. Rothenberg
Republican Beth Parlato
Conservative Beth Parlato
Democratic Carolyn E. Wade
Republican Carolyn E. Wade
Conservative Carolyn E. Wade
Democratic Delores J. Thomas
Republican Delores J. Thomas
Conservative Delores J. Thomas
Democratic Lizette Colon
Democratic Theresa M. Ciccotto
Republican Theresa M. Ciccotto
Conservative Theresa M. Ciccotto
Democratic William F. Mastro
Republican William F. Mastro
Conservative William F. Mastro

JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT DISTRICT 3RD MUNICIPAL COURT DISTRICT KINGS

Democratic Maria Aragona

JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT DISTRICT 5TH MUNICIPAL COURT DISTRICT KINGS

Democratic Saul Stein
Conservative Saul Stein

QUEENS COUNTY

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Working Families Joseph R. Biden / Kamala D. Harris
Green Howie Hawkins / Angela Nicole Walker
Libertarian Jo Jorgensen / Jeremy Cohen
Independence Brock Pierce / Karla Ballard

BOROUGH PRESIDENT QUEENS
Democratic Donovan J. Richards Jr.
Republican Joann Ariola
Conservative Joann Ariola
Save Our City Joann Ariola
Red Dragon Dao Yin

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
3RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Thomas R. Suozzi
Republican George A.D. Santos
Conservative George A.D. Santos
Working Families Thomas R. Suozzi
Libertarian Howard Rabin
Independence Thomas R. Suozzi

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
5TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Gregory W. Meeks

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
6TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Grace Meng
Republican Thomas J. Zmich
Conservative Thomas J. Zmich
Working Families Grace Meng
Libertarian Thomas J. Zmich
Save Our City Thomas J. Zmich

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
7TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Nydia M. Velazquez
Republican Brian W. Kelly
Conservative Brian W. Kelly
Working Families Nydia M. Velazquez
Libertarian Gilbert Midonnet

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
8TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Hakeem S. Jeffries
Republican Garfield H. Wallace
Conservative Garfield H. Wallace
Working Families Hakeem S. Jeffries

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
12TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Carolyn B. Maloney
Republican Carlos Santiago-Cano
Conservative Carlos Santiago-Cano
Libertarian Steven Kolln

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
14TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez
Republican John C. Cummings
Conservative John C. Cummings
SAM Michelle Caruso-Cabrera

**STATE SENATOR
10TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**
Democratic James Sanders Jr.
Working Families James Sanders Jr.

**STATE SENATOR
11TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**
Democratic John C. Liu
Republican Elisa Nahoum
Conservative Elisa Nahoum

Working Families John C. Liu
Save Our City Elisa Nahoum

**STATE SENATOR
12TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Michael N. Gianaris
Working Families Michael N. Gianaris

**STATE SENATOR
13TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Jessica Ramos
Republican Jesus Gonzalez
Conservative Jesus Gonzalez
Working Families Jessica Ramos
Save Our City Jesus Gonzalez

**STATE SENATOR
14TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Leroy G. Comrie Jr.

**STATE SENATOR
15TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Joseph P. Addabbo Jr.
Republican Thomas P. Sullivan
Conservative Thomas P. Sullivan
Save Our City Thomas P. Sullivan

**STATE SENATOR
16TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Toby Ann Stavisky

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
23RD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Stacey G. Pheffer Amato
Republican Peter D. Hatzipetros
Conservative Peter D. Hatzipetros
Save Our City Peter D. Hatzipetros

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
24TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic David I. Weprin

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
25TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Nily D. Rozic
Working Families Nily D. Rozic

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
26TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Edward C. Braunstein
Republican John-Alexander M. Sakelos
Conservative John-Alexander M. Sakelos
Save Our City John-Alexander M. Sakelos

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
27TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Daniel Rosenthal

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
28TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Andrew D. Hevesi
COVID19 Stories Danniell S. Maio

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
29TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Alicia L. Hyndman

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
30TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Brian Barnwell

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
31ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Khaleel Anderson
Republican Joseph A. Cullina
Working Families Khaleel Anderson

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
32ND ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Vivian E. Cook

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
33RD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Clyde Vanel

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
34TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Jessica Gonzalez-Rojas
Republican William A. Marquez
Conservative William A. Marquez
Working Families Jessica Gonzalez-Rojas

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
35TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Jeffrion L. Aubry
Republican Han-Khon To
Conservative Han-Khon To
Save Our City Han-Khon To

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
36TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Zohran Kwame Mamdani

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
37TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Catherine Nolan

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
38TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Jenifer Rajkumar
Republican Giovanni A. Perna
Conservative Giovanni A. Perna
Save Our City Giovanni A. Perna

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
39TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Catalina Cruz

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
40TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Ron Kim
Justice & Peace Steven Lee

**JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
11TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, VOTE FOR 9**
Democratic Tracy A. Catapano-Fox
Republican Tracy A. Catapano-Fox
Conservative Tracy A. Catapano-Fox
Working Families Joshua E. Goldfein
Democratic Mojgan Cohananim Lancman
Working Families Bob Cohen
Democratic Lance P. Evans
Republican Joseph F. Kasper
Conservative Joseph F. Kasper
Working Families Judith Goldiner
Democratic Karina E. Alomar
Republican John C. Spataro
Conservative John C. Spataro
Working Families Kenneth Schaeffer
Democratic Michelle A. Johnson
Working Families Afua Atta-Mensah
Democratic Darrell L. Gavrín
Working Families Justin Sweet
Democratic Evelyn L. Braun
Republican Evelyn L. Braun
Conservative Evelyn L. Braun
Democratic Kevin J. Kerrigan
Republican Kevin J. Kerrigan
Conservative Kevin J. Kerrigan
Democratic Leonard Livote

Republican Leonard Livote
Conservative Leonard Livote

**JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT
COUNTY QUEENS, VOTE FOR 2**
Democratic Jessica Earle-Gargan
Democratic Nestor H. Diaz

**JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT
DISTRICT 4TH MUNICIPAL COURT
DISTRICT QUEENS**
Democratic Denise N. Johnson

**JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT
DISTRICT 6TH MUNICIPAL COURT
DISTRICT QUEENS**
Democratic Leigh K. Cheng

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Working Families Joseph R. Biden / Kamala D. Harris
Green Howie Hawkins / Angela Nicole Walker
Libertarian Jo Jorgensen / Jeremy Cohen
Independence Brock Pierce / Karla Ballard

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
11TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Max N. Rose
Republican Nicole Malliotakis
Conservative Nicole Malliotakis
Independence Max N. Rose

**STATE SENATOR
23RD SENATORIAL DISTRICT**
Democratic Diane J. Savino
Conservative Justin DeFillippo
Independence Diane J. Savino
SAM John Jairo Rodriguez

**STATE SENATOR
24TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**
Republican Andrew J. Lanza
Conservative Andrew J. Lanza
Independence Andrew J. Lanza

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
61ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Charles D. Fall
Republican Paul Ciurcina Jr.
Conservative Paul Ciurcina Jr.
Independence Charles D. Fall

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
62ND ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Republican Michael W. Reilly Jr.
Conservative Michael W. Reilly Jr.

**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
63RD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Michael J. Cusick
Republican Anthony M. DeGuerre

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CANDIDATE LIST CONTINUED

All Parties and Independent Bodies Nominations for the following offices (Subject to change)

Conservative Anthony M. DeGuerre
Independence Michael J. Cusick
SAM Anthony M. DeGuerre
**MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY
64TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**
Democratic Brandon S. Patterson
Republican Michael Tannousis

Conservative Michael Tannousis
Independence Brandon S. Patterson
**JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
13TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, VOTE FOR 2**
Democratic Mario F. Mattei
Republican Mario F. Mattei
SAM Mario F. Mattei

Democratic Lisa Grey
Republican Lisa Grey
Conservative Lisa Grey
SAM Lisa Grey
**JUDGE OF THE CIVIL COURT
COUNTY RICHMOND**
Democratic Allyn J. Crawford

Republican Ronald Castorina Jr.
Conservative Ronald Castorina Jr.
Libertarian Ronald Castorina Jr.
Independence Allyn J. Crawford
SAM Ronald Castorina Jr.

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Post Weather Report

Tuesday



Today: Mostly cloudy. High 55 to 61.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy. Low 46 to 52.

Thursday

Rain. High 50 to 56.

Evening
Rain. Low 41 to 47.

Wednesday



Tomorrow: Clouds giving way to some sun. High 56 to 62.

Tomorrow night: Clear to partly cloudy. Low 49 to 55.

Friday

Occasional rain. High 42 to 48.

Evening
A moonlit sky. Low 30 to 36.

Almanac

YESTERDAY'S CONDITIONS AT CENTRAL PARK THROUGH 6PM

Temperature

High: 58, Low: 50, Mean: 54

Departure from Normal

Yesterday: 0 degrees

Precipitation

Yesterday: 0.02", Month: 2.77", Year: 34.47", Normal year to date: 41.36"

Heating Degree days yesterday.....11

Total for the month (normal)139 (207)

Total since July 1 (normal)175 (249)

Last season to date162

Wind Chill (at noon yest.) 55

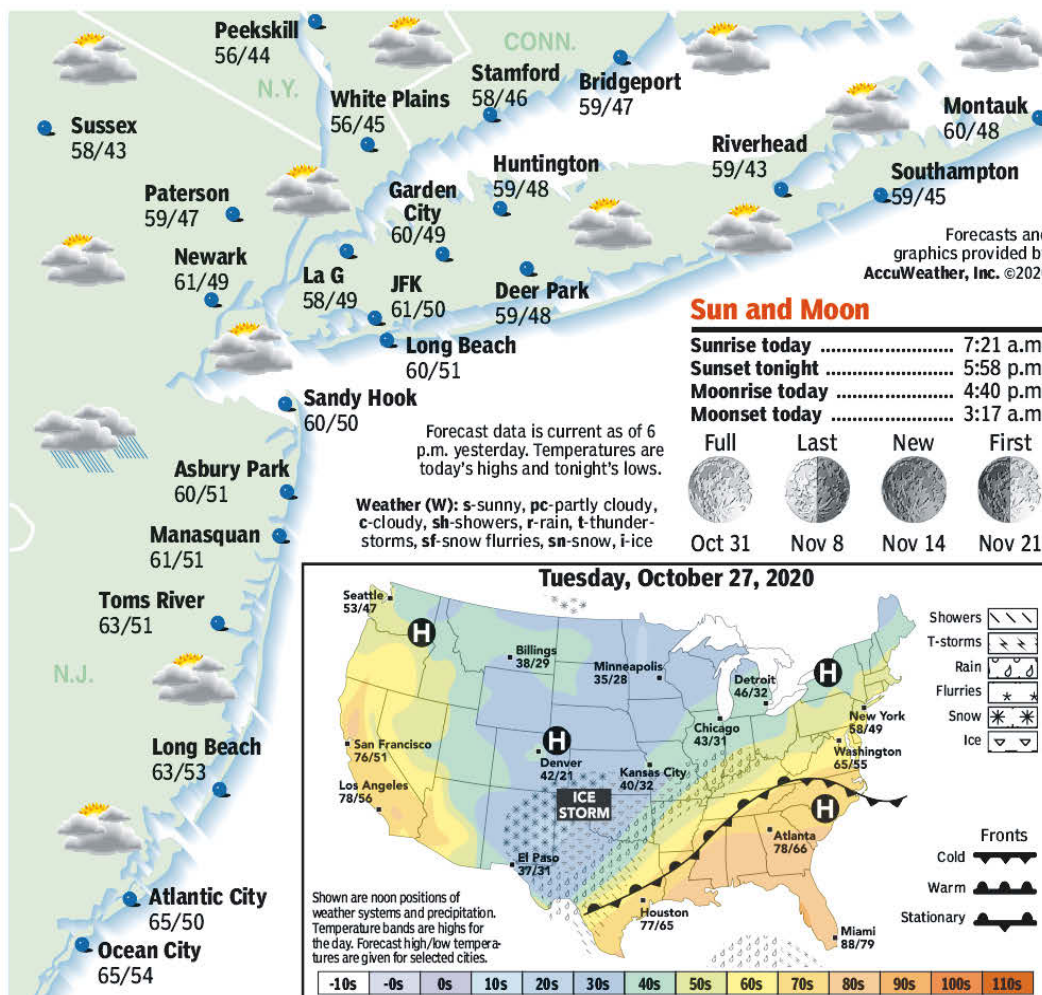
UV index (for Tue.) 3 (Moderate)

Humidity (at noon) 90%

AIR QUALITY

Pollen: Low. Predominant pollen: Ragweed

AQI rating: (for Tue.).....Good



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New York Tides

	TODAY		TOMORROW	
High Tide for	1st	2nd	1st	2nd
Coney Island	5:36a	5:51p	6:23a	6:37p
Fire Island	5:50a	6:04p	6:29a	6:43p
Hempstead	9:48a	10:12p	10:32a	10:56p
Huntington	9:31a	9:55p	10:16a	10:40p
Jones Inlet	5:20a	5:35p	6:07a	6:21p
Montauk Point	6:56a	7:11p	7:35a	7:50p
Port Washington	9:56a	10:20p	10:40a	11:04p
Sandy Hook	5:40a	5:55p	6:27a	6:41p

Regional cities

	TODAY	TOMORROW
Albany	50/38/c	53/38/pc
Danbury	56/43/c	57/44/pc
Glens Falls	49/35/c	53/36/c
Gr Barrington	52/40/c	54/40/c
Kingston	56/42/c	58/41/pc
Liberty	50/38/c	53/39/pc
Monticello	50/38/c	54/39/pc
Newburgh	56/44/c	58/45/pc
Poughkeepsie	57/43/c	59/43/pc
Saratoga Springs	50/38/c	54/38/c
Stroudsburg	57/43/c	58/44/pc
Torrington	54/42/c	56/42/pc
Syracuse	48/38/c	54/39/pc

World cities

	TODAY	TOMORROW
Athens	74/61/pc	67/60/r
Baghdad	93/59/pc	93/58/pc
Beijing	63/38/c	65/37/pc
Berlin	54/45/pc	56/48/pc
Cairo	85/68/s	86/69/pc
Dublin	53/44/r	50/44/sh
Geneva	52/45/sh	59/49/pc
Hong Kong	83/76/s	83/74/pc
Jerusalem	82/62/s	80/62/pc
Kabul	76/39/s	71/35/s
London	57/46/r	55/47/sh
Madrid	59/45/pc	62/45/pc
Mexico City	78/51/pc	79/52/t
Montreal	42/32/pc	50/39/pc
Moscow	51/39/pc	51/38/s
Paris	55/49/sh	57/51/sh
Rio de Janeiro	82/74/pc	85/75/t
Rome	66/46/sh	66/46/s
Sydney	66/59/pc	66/61/pc
Tokyo	68/56/c	68/55/pc

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THE FORCE: Police wielding batons clash with Brooklyn protesters decrying the death of George Floyd. Eleven protesters filed suit Monday, claiming their constitutional rights were violated.



James Keivom

Floyd protesters sue NYPD for 'brutality'

By REBECCA ROSENBERG

Protesters have hit Mayor de Blasio and the NYPD with a police-brutality lawsuit, alleging they were beaten with batons, pepper-sprayed and assaulted for peacefully demonstrating against the killing of George Floyd.

The civil-rights lawsuit, filed in Manhattan federal court on Monday, alleges that the city had a de facto policy of letting cops violently target protesters, and focuses on the alleged abuse of 11 plaintiffs from May 28 to June 28 at nine demonstrations in Manhattan, The Bronx and Brooklyn.

"We were met with the same kind of brutal force that police unleashed on George Floyd in his final minutes," said plaintiff Jarrett Payne of Queens, who was arrested on June 2 for protesting in Manhattan in violation of an 8 p.m. curfew.

Several officers allegedly bludgeoned Payne with batons, leaving him bleeding from his head, then arrested him, the suit charges.

Charlie Monlouis-Anderle — who is gender nonbinary and uses the pronoun "they" — continued marching after the curfew and says three cops allegedly tackled them to the ground, beat them with batons and left them with a broken arm on June 3 in Brooklyn.

"[The police] are inflicting state-san-

ctioned violence to intimidate and subdue voices proclaiming that Black Lives Matter," Monlouis-Anderle said in a statement.

Payne and Monlouis-Anderle both received disorderly conduct summonses that were subsequently dismissed by the Manhattan and Brooklyn district attorneys.

The city imposed the curfew after days of rioting and looting.

The plaintiffs — Payne, Monlouis-Anderle, Andie Mali, Camila Gini, Vidal Guzman, Vivian Matthew King-Yarde, Jaime Fried, Micaela Martinez, Julian Phillips, Nicholas Mulder and Colleen McCormack-Maitland — are represented by the New York Civil Liberties Union and the Legal Aid Society. They allege that the city violated their constitutional rights and are suing for compensatory and punitive damages plus attorneys' fees.

De Blasio challenged the allegations during Monday's City Hall press briefing. "From what I've heard of the lawsuit's allegation, it doesn't sound right at all to me," he said.

NYPD spokeswoman Denise Moroney said, "We will review the lawsuit if and when we are served."

The city Law Department didn't return a request for comment.

Additional reporting by Julia Marsh and Tina Moore

US strike kills 7 Qaeda leaders

A US airstrike in northwestern Syria is believed to have killed seven leaders of al Qaeda affiliates, a military official said.

The strike was conducted on Oct. 22 as the alleged terrorists were meeting near the city of Idlib, spokeswoman Maj. Beth Riordan of Central Command, told The Associated Press.

The seven people who

were killed were not identified. Riordan noted, though, that targeted airstrikes will help cripple the terrorist group as it attempts to attack Americans and US allies across the globe.

On Monday, Afghanistan officials said it had killed a top al Qaeda propagandist who was on the FBI's most-wanted list.

Husam Abd al-Rauf was

reportedly killed in a military operation in the eastern section of the country as United States attempts to pull out after nearly two decades.

Details about the operation and al-Rauf's death remained murky Monday night, and al Qaeda did not immediately acknowledge that he had been killed.

Ben Feuerherd, Wires

How Chaos Won

Our leaders ditched sound policing methods

NEW York's sanguinary summer lingers, even though November is fast approaching, with at least seven more city residents gunned down over the weekend, including a fatally wounded tourist.

Don't blame the cops. They're doing what they've been told to do, which amounts to running in circles, now that Gotham's political class has abandoned one of the most effective urban-policing strategies ever devised — largely because it was too harsh on criminals. Now New York is reaping the whirlwind.

Or, as The New York Times reported over the weekend: "More than 1,515 people have been shot so far this year, twice as many as all of 2019, and there have been 362 homicides, a 32 percent increase over last year."

And that doesn't include the weekend casualty count, which included a 20-year-old in town from Indiana to make skateboarding videos.

It's hard to keep the numbers straight, of course, because they move so fast. And while the continuing crisis is mostly about illegal guns, it isn't only about guns. Crime statistics are up sharply pretty much

across the board, at least in those categories that don't lend themselves to manipulation; burglary (up 42 percent) and auto theft (up 63 percent) usually generate insurance claims and thus are harder to hide.

And then there is the matter of Joshua Diaz, who police strongly believe is the fellow who shoved a 28-year-old woman to the tracks in the Times Square subway station Friday. There doesn't seem to be much doubt that he did it, though that's for the increasingly dysfunctional courts to determine.

But this much is clear: Diaz has been arrested 30 times since 2012, for burglary, assault, resisting arrest and criminal trespass — although his principal problem appears to be that he is crazy. And in that he is hardly alone.

New York's streets are awash with the mentally ill, many of them drug- or alcohol-addicted derelicts of the sort recently sent by City Hall to the Upper West Side, and who are now be-



First responders attend to a victim shot over the weekend in Manhattan.

Christopher Sadowski

ing dispatched in ever-larger numbers to the East Side and elsewhere in Manhattan and to Downtown Brooklyn.

Wherever there is scaffolding, it seems, vagrants are nearby: pitching tents, cooking heroin, making their toilet in the street and harassing passersby, either for money or because they simply can't help themselves.

And the aggressive-vagrant issue has two things in common with the murderous-street-violence problem. They exist because:

- New York's elected leaders, right across the board, simply don't give a damn about public safety. If they did, such things wouldn't be happening.

- Each is a problem that has already been solved once — painfully and controversially, to be sure, but solved as decisively as such challenges can be in a dynamic and intrinsically fractious city.

The two mayors who preceded Bill de Blasio believed strongly that public spaces belonged to the public and not to addicts, petty criminals and the mentally ill. They implemented and sustained humane but firm policies that provided necessary shelter and services while reclaiming New York City's transit terminals, concourses and parks.

And they believed just as strongly that public safety is a fundamental right — so they de-

veloped and maintained policies that transformed a blood-spattered municipality into what might fairly have become Gotham's trademark: "the safest big city in America."

Those policies have become racially charged buzzwords in today's cultural conflicts: "broken-windows policing," "stop-and-frisk," "anti-crime cops." But they had specific application, and they produced astonishingly positive results.

Now they've been abandoned, in favor of whatever low-impact social program might be in favor on a given day. The emphasis no longer is on public safety, it's on lessening the consequence of crime on the criminals who commit it. New York's street chaos and its spilled blood are a direct result.

The fact is that de Blasio and the City Council, with substantial help from Gov. Cuomo and the state Legislature, forced strategic changes on the city's public-safety establishment. They chose a less confrontational approach to disorder and crime, especially murder, and now all New Yorkers are paying a price for that. Big surprise.

What's next? No strategic wheels need to be reinvented; the heavy lifting was done decades ago. What's needed now are leaders with the wisdom to recognize that grievous mistakes have been made — and the courage to rectify them.

There's a mayoral election coming up. Any takers?

Twitter: @RLMac2

FAST TAKES

Election watch: Ignore Early Returns

"Don't try to divine election results from early voting returns," advises RealClearPolitics' Sean Trende. He said the same thing in 2016, when pundits also pointed to "Democrats' massive lead in early voting" to predict a Hillary Clinton win. In North Carolina, for example, "Democrats have a 10.5-percentage-point lead over Republicans in early voting." Yet Dems had "a 13.1-percentage-point lead there" four years ago — and lost the state. As it is, early-voting data point in contradictory directions, with the black share of the electorate down, while independents and some GOPers sour on the president. Bottom line: There's nothing to do but "wait eight more days."

From the right: An Existential Choice

At The American Conservative, Jon Schweppe declares: "America is on the ballot this election. Vote for the Republicans, if you love your country. Vote for the Democrats, if you'd rather see it burn to the ground." Over the past year, the left has shown that it truly believes the "American system is rotten to the core and needs to be done away with." That's the message of The New York Times' 1619 Project and the Black Lives Matters rioters burning US cities, often with open Democratic approval. If they succeed on Nov. 3, "nothing we traditionally call American" would endure.

Fiscal hawk: Localities Can't Rely on Growth

"Even before COVID-19," observes Brian Chen at City Journal, "many states and cities" were just a "downturn away from fiscal calamity." They counted on population growth to finance their budgets, yet that growth had stalled even before the pandemic and lockdowns: "The Congressional Budget Office has consistently revised population projections down in recent years." New York City, in particular, is now seeing "high-earning residents fleeing," and its "outlook isn't rosy." Nor can states and cities expect federal bailouts. Instead, they need to build up their "stabilization funds" and reduce "unfunded pension liabilities." More fundamentally, they will have to cut their "dependence" on growth "for basic fiscal solvency" — or face service cuts, tax hikes, "long-lasting economic destabilization" and "even slower growth."

Fact-check: Lesley Stahl's Lies

At The Federalist, Margot Cleveland corrects Lesley Stahl, who falsely claimed during her "60 Minutes" interview with President Trump that it's "unverified" that the Obama administration spied on the Trump campaign. In reality: "Nearly a year ago, the 478-page report issued by Inspector General Michael Horowitz verified spying on the Trump campaign" via deceptive and flawed Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act warrants



Lesley Stahl

to monitor adviser Carter Page and his communications with other campaign officials. The FBI also "ran" a regular source, academic Stefan Halper, at Page, at George Papadopoulos and at Sam Clovis, the campaign's national co-chair, having Halper ask multiple campaign-related questions. Finally, the FBI sent a member of its Russiagate team to a security briefing for Trump and Gen. Mike Flynn "to 'assess' Flynn in anticipation of a 'subject interview,'" the IG found — with notes on the two men's comments entered into the case-management database. In short, "Stahl and the rest of corporate media" are "lying to Americans" about a huge scandal.

Conservative: Big Grassroots Support for Trump

On Saturday, some 2,000 cars lined up on Pennsylvania's Interstate 70 for a "Trump Train" — "the biggest political rally no one saw" and just one of gatherings like it that "have been happening for months in some of the places President Trump needs most to win if he is to be re-elected," reports the Washington Examiner's Byron York. Many attendees work oil and gas jobs, and they know that Trump "has supported their industry while . . . Joe Biden wanted to cripple and ultimately eliminate it." Trump is down in the Pennsylvania polls, but he managed to pull off a surprise win there four years ago. If that happens again, "he might well owe his victory to his grassroots supporters' work on the road," particularly in "oil and gas country." The Trump Train might just "keep driving all the way to Election Day" and return him to the White House. — Compiled by The Post Editorial Board

Supreme Win for America

Senate confirmation Monday of Amy Coney Barrett to the Supreme Court is a win for all of America, and couldn't come at a more critical time.

Barrett's scholarship, record on the bench and confirmation testimony show she has the "deep legal expertise, dispassionate judicial temperament and sheer intellectual horsepower" Americans deserve in Supreme Court justices, as Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell put it.

And though Democrats opposed her, they didn't convince anyone — indeed, her public support grew throughout the process.

This, in a nation beset by deep political division, with a presidential campaign adding to the flames.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg's death left the court with just eight votes, raising the possibility of deadlocks, even as a wave of litigation over mail-in voting makes it more likely the court will have to decide election-related cases. And as Ginsburg — a liberal hero — herself argued, "Eight is not a good number for a collegial body that sometimes disagrees."

Ironically, Dems say the timing is *wrong*, that a new prez might pick someone else, so President Trump shouldn't have tapped Barrett. Yet presidents since the birth of the republic have routinely named candidates for high-court vacancies in such election years.

Dems' real gripe is that Barrett will stick carefully to the actual text of the Constitution and the law in her rulings, instead of stretching them to serve the left's agenda.

After all, they were fine with President Barack Obama's pick, Merrick Garland, in 2016. As Ginsburg noted: A president is "elected for four years, not three years." She hoped senators would "wake up and appreciate that that's how it should be."

Democrats' only real "argument" was phony fearmongering about how Barrett might nix liberal priorities like ObamaCare and *Roe v. Wade*. Yet she's given no sign she'd do any such thing — only that she'd rule on the facts and the law.

Amid all the political turmoil, that's pretty reassuring.

Deadly Lunatics Roaming Free

What will it take for the city to finally address the clear danger posed by severely mentally ill walking city streets and haunting the subway?

An unhinged man tossed a woman onto the tracks at Times Square last Friday. Happily, she managed to get out in time — and police were able to quickly take Joshua Diaz into custody as the suspected shover.

He has a long and troubled history, arrested most recently for allegedly breaking into and sitting in the cars of strangers in Queens last month, on top of collars for burglary, assault and resisting arrest.

The long list of subway assaults — from the 64-year-old man shoved onto the tracks at Union Square in February, all the way back to the Kendra Webdale tragedy back in 1999 — is scary. The perp is almost always an unstable person with a history of bizarre, ever-escalating behaviors.

But Mayor de Blasio and city officials continue to turn a blind eye to the problem. Asked about the latest incident and how he planned to address the city's mentally ill homeless problem, de Blasio droned about the supposed success of the ThriveNYC program — which in fact is falling short of meeting its service-provision goals.

"I want to encourage anyone, if there's someone in your life with a problem... call 1-888-NYC-WELL so we can get the help that you need," the mayor said. Either no one called the hotline about Friday's subway shover or Thrive failed again.

A real response involves ordering maximum use of Kendra's Law — passed after Webdale's killing — to get these people taking the medications they need or to keep them off the streets.

Stop endangering the lives of ordinary New Yorkers, Mr. Mayor.

A College Prez Stands Firm

In an era when college presidents race to bend to outrageous demands from lefty students, Northwestern University's Morton Schapiro is a rare case of backbone.

Campus group NU Community Not Cops has marched daily since Oct. 12, demanding Schapiro disband Northwestern's police department. The "protests" have escalated to vandalism of the campus and local shops, plus a raucous midnight demo at the prez's home ("Piggy Morty" was one cry).

In an open letter, Schapiro acknowledged "the many injustices faced by Black and other marginalized groups" but explained that he refused to engage with "individuals who continue to use the tactics of intimidation and violence."

Schapiro has received a Community Service Award from the NAACP; he shifted to no-loan financial-aid packages and founded the Northwestern Academy to help Chicago public-school students apply to college.

A *true* liberal, he says protesters "have no right to menace members of our academic and surrounding communities." And that "vandalizing property, lighting fires and spray-painting phrases such as 'kill the pigs'" are no "legitimate forms of free speech."

In response, the kids are now also demanding Schapiro quit. If they listened to him instead, they might actually learn something.

Readers Cheer (and Jeer) The Post's Endorsement

•Thank you for coming out and endorsing our great president ("Make America great again, again," Oct. 26).

He has done so much for America, and thank you for pointing that out in black and white. I pray that he gets re-elected.

I shudder to think what could happen to our country if he does not win this election. Keep the great stories coming.

Steve Coleman
Litchfield, Conn.

•Michael Goodwin is dead-on as usual. I'm sticking with Donald, too ("Here's why I'm sticking with Donald," Oct. 25).

He has scratched and clawed for the last three years to get things done. The House, the liberal FBI (how does this happen?) and media continue to collude against him.

I've been watching my late local news and there has been not one story about Joe and Hunter Biden and their dirty deals. However there's always a story criticizing Trump. Thank God for The Post and Fox News.

Mary Harkins
Manhattan

•Trump has had almost four years to lead the United States and has failed us by his own choosing.

Whether it be in foreign or domestic policy, he has not protected the United States as commander-in-chief. He shows complete disrespect for our military and total disregard for the COVID-19 virus.

We, the American people, have finally borne witness to what happens when we place an incompetent business leader in the Oval Office.

Quality of life is not a business decision, but

THE ISSUE: The Post's and Michael Goodwin's endorsement of President Trump for a second term.



rather it is a humane choice to be empathetic to those who cannot help themselves. Joe Biden has that empathy and will return the United States to the era when we were respected internationally.

Joe Bialek
Cleveland, Ohio

•I'm a born and bred New Yorker. I've since relocated to California. For the first time in a long time, The Post has made me proud to be a New Yorker. You exhibited courage. Thank you for your brave endorsement of Trump for president.

If Biden is elected, it will be a quick slide to socialism and an eradication of the middle class. It will be the end of the United States as we know it. The government will control every area of our life.

And if you think that's cool — you're sadly mistaken. We would no longer be a free country.

Pamela Peery
San Clemente, Calif.

•Michael Goodwin says, "The primary yardstick of a president is whether he produces peace and prosperity."

By these measures, Trump should win by a landslide. However, in today's media world, Trump is the main rea-

son for the COVID virus. In fact, Trump has dealt with it. He shut down travel before the experts said he should.

He did not dictate but rather gave local governors and mayors the rope to hang themselves. This is how our federal government is supposed to work.

I am sticking with Trump also. He has done everything he could possibly do for the American people and our way of life. He has had our backs and believes in this country. I do not think the Democratic Party can say the same.

Robert Fishman
Somers

•Regarding Goodwin's fondness for voting for Trump again: Does this include all of Trump's lies and broken promises, e.g., Mexico will pay for the wall? His blatant racism, embrace of the white supremacists and denigrating minorities?

What about his misogynistic, offensive behavior, name-calling and slandering media as "fake news"? Or the endless staff turnover, even when Trump said he'd hire only the best and brightest?

What about his gross mismanagement of the pandemic?

Kenneth Wagner
Sugar Creek, Miss.

•I loved the cover of The Post. I'm voting for Trump for more reasons than I can list.

Biden is a dangerous socialist among a parade of Democrats influenced by Sen. Bernie Sanders. Out with Biden and his socialist policies.

Raquel Hanon
Brooklyn

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These couples had to forego their elaborate plans, but found style, intimacy and memorable moments in a small celebration. p. 36

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Head to the tropics for a romantic resort takeover or a luxurious villa elopement. p. 38



MicroWeddings

WHEN LESS IS MORE

A downsized celebration can still go big on bridal style

By ANNE CHERTOFF

WITH the pandemic upending the wedding plans of thousands of couples in 2020, brides and grooms are getting creative, changing their ceremony and reception details to reflect a more intimate celebration. "We're seeing micro events for the rest of 2020 and early 2021 with an increase to back-to-normal guest sizes starting next summer," says wedding planner and event designer Annie Lee, owner of Plannie, an online platform with event planners available by the hour, ideal for couples who don't need a full-service package.

Micro weddings, Lee explains, are split into two categories: elopements with a handful of guests, or intimate dinner parties with around 20 guests, up to a maximum of 50. But the limited guest list doesn't mean couples can't plan a fabulous event that's unforgettable.

"While many elements are being scaled back, such as a smaller band to provide background music rather than dance music, we are seizing the amazing opportunity for heightened personalization and customization that can be done only at small and intimate dinners," says wedding and event planner Lindsay Landman of Lindsay Landman Events. "We've been working with couples to create a

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Disney's Fairy Tale Weddings and Allure Bridals; David's Bridal (inset)

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more elaborate wine pairing for the dinner, have monogrammed blankets available for each guest, and leave hand-written notes from the couple as a keepsake to make the experience feel special for everyone.”

Re-planning a wedding can bring a lot of tension to an already stressful situation, but finding a dress to wear shouldn't have to be.

“While some brides who have already purchased their wedding dress have chosen to wear them, brides who haven't are looking for something chic and simpler to go with the times,” explains bridal fashion stylist Julie Sabatino, owner of the Stylish Bride.

While micro wedding dresses may be more understated, they still allow a bride to let her personal style shine through the silhouette, fabric and embellishments. Illusion fabrics encrusted in crystals or beads can add a bit of glamour, embroidered florals complement a backyard or garden setting, and for civil services, separates can be quite elegant.

“I've seen a tremendous increase in more sleek, close-to-the-body styles, with detachable dramatic sleeves or Watteau trains, which keep the romantic feeling but with a slimmer gown,” shares Mark Ingram, the owner of Mark Ingram Atelier. “With these smaller weddings, all the details become more special and curated, to give their guests a very special experience, and one that lasts a lifetime for them as well.”

Bridal salons are ensuring that the shopping experience follows health and safety guidelines but is still memorable. “During the state's order to close all nonessential businesses we reconfigured the layout of the salon to add Plexiglas dividers and hand sanitizers to high touch-point areas,” explains Jennette Kruszka, director of marketing and public relations at Kleinfeld Bridal in Chelsea. “We also cut our capacity limitations in half, are limiting the number of people a bride can bring with her to two, and created a dress sanitation station so every dress tried on is sanitized in between appointments.”

Several salons are offering virtual appointments, as well as speaking with sales consultants in advance. David's Bridal, with several stores in the tri-state area, partnered with Vertebrae to enable brides and bridesmaids to see life-size digital images of what a dress would look like on them.

“We took the opportunity to reimagine the experience and help bring excitement to shoppers at home,” says Lizzy Ellingson, chief digital experience officer at David's Bridal. “The renderings, in fine detail, help women narrow down options and buy online, which is something we know brides are becoming more comfortable with every day.”

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THINK INSIDE THE BOX

Send a curated care package to those who can't make it to the wedding

By APRIL HARDWICK

DESPITE the challenges of planning a wedding during the current health crisis, for many brides, the show must go on. With shortened guest lists, many friends and relatives now join the festivities remotely via Zoom or video streaming. Finding ways to connect with virtual guests, like sending gift boxes or small mementos that are special to the couple, help make those remote revelers feel a part of the occasion.

Ariel Redmond, co-founder of Happy Box Store, an online source for custom gift boxes (shown right), planned a pandemic wedding and sent her own Happy Box to those who couldn't attend.

"We had only 25 people," she said. "I had my sister videoconference a few of our best friends who were not able to make it. In their Happy Box, each were given a champagne flute and an Italian spritz kit — our signature drink — so they could toast us and feel like they were there with us. We had to cull down the guest list, so this was a really fun way for

them to join in and feel included in our celebration."

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"We recently had a bride send out our two-piece tins to her friends with an invitation inside asking them to be bridesmaids," said Tim Tippin, president of Louis Sherry. Virginia Frischkorn, founder and CEO of Bluebird Productions luxury wedding and event planning, had to rethink her business when COVID-19 hit. She launched Bluebird in a Box, offering curated boxes or digital downloadable kits for themed events, with bridal and wedding coming Nov. 1. She recommends giving some thought to the presentation of a livestreamed wedding.

"Consider hiring a professional to handle this," said Frischkorn. "Rehearse the technological part of your wedding day. Keep your rituals [first dances, toasts] — this makes the virtual streaming more intimate and special."

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Amanda Chalhoub and Corey Levy spent two years planning a wedding for 150 guests, but opted for an intimate backyard ceremony instead.

Home is where the heart is

Professionally managed backyard ceremonies are trending

By ERIKA PRAFDER

AS many engaged couples are discovering, even a pandemic need not delay their wedding plans, and for many, that means looking no further than the backyard.

Smaller weddings are perfect for being hosted at the homes of brides, grooms, family members or friends, said Danielle Rothweiler, owner and lead wedding planner, Rothweiler Event Design, based in Verona, NJ.

"Couples are renting out other folks' houses, too," she said. "Realtors are contacting me, telling me that their client's home is on the market, and that it's a great place to do weddings. They'll even agree not to go into escrow until a wedding we've booked is done."

For Amanda Chalhoub and Corey Levy of Wayne, NJ, a backyard wedding turned out to be especially significant because the couple met when Levy, a realtor, sold Chalhoub her house. "It was the perfect location," said Rothweiler.

With 10 inquiries a day currently coming in, Rothweiler says hiring a wedding planner is still worth the outlay (roughly \$4,500 to \$8,000).

"There are an incredible amount of moving parts and logistics," she said. "It's my job to know to call the chief of police to find out parking restrictions, and to comply with any noise ordinance dictating when music must end and permissible decibel levels. I find out from

vendors how many amps, extension cords and additional electricity sources are needed. It's worth the investment."

Here's Rothweiler's advice for a successful day.

Plan site visits

"Once you've figured out your guest count, invite your table, tent, chair-rental and lighting-design vendors to your location. Will you need restroom trailers, water and electric sources, a generator? Develop a floor plan or you're going to have a problem," said Rothweiler.

"If your event will be inside, your vendors will need dedicated spaces to operate, such as a driveway or garage." For cooler weather weddings, she also suggested investing in heat lamps, or gifting pashminas as wedding favors.



Keep everyone safe

"Enforce social distancing and face coverings in advance through wording in your invites," said Rothweiler, who said some couples have hired nurse practitioners to take guests' temperatures upon arrival. "Custom masks can be taken to the next level," she said. "I've worn LED ones — or you match the material to your linens and print your name on them."

Have hands-free fare

All main food should be plated — no buffets, says Rothweiler. "You can still do passed hors d'oeuvres. Get creative with menus and display."

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MAKING IT PERSONAL

Add stylish accessories to make your look unique

By ANNE CHERTOFF

ACCESSORIES can be exactly what you need to style and personalize a low-key wedding dress. “Accessories are the perfect way to take a minimal gown and make it feel festive and special,” said stylist Beth Chapman of Beth Chapman Consulting.

There are a variety of ways a bride can dress up her look. Short hemlines call for fabulous heels. Chilly weather needs a jacket or wrap. And a veil, whether birdcage or cathedral length, will complement any wedding-day look.

“The must-have fall bridal accessory is something to keep warm and still look great,” said wedding planner and event designer Lindsay Landman of Lindsay Landman Events. While a bride is sure to find a lot of options in stores and online, Landman shares that some of her brides are looking to their families’ closets for something warm and old. “One of our brides will be wearing a vintage fur bolero that was her grandmother’s, which adds some sentimentality.”

A jacket or stole can also elevate the look of an understated dress from simple to elegant, noted Chapman. But the easiest way to transform any outfit is with a statement earring. “It brings a little sparkle by your face for photos and adds some sparkle to the look of the simplest dress,” she said.

A new addition to a bride’s trousseau is a face mask. Whether decorative or medical, it’s just as essential now as your wedding rings.

A short hemline demands a fabulous pair of shoes. These white satin 3.5-inch pointed-toe pumps are encrusted with glittering crystals. \$71.96 at David’s Bridal, 45 W. 25th St.; DavidsBridal.com



David’s Bridal

PQ Swim

Ines Di Santo’s new jewelry collection with Ciner, Ines x Ciner, resembles her wedding gown collection – a mix of glamour and femininity. This modern take on the drop earring features three glass pearls and hand-painted glass flowers. \$250 at Mark Ingram Atelier, 110 E. 55th St., 8th floor; MarkIngramAtelier.com



Ines x Ciner

Pick up a bridal-themed face mask to ensure you’re celebrating safely on your big day. PQ Swim’s Water Lily Lace MasQini has a nude lining under the scalloped white fabric. \$20 at HTB, 100 W. Mt. Pleasant Ave., 2nd floor, Livingston, NJ.; HTBBoutique.com

Nothing says bride like a veil. Toni Federici’s circular-style, tiered ballerina design is unadorned, making it the ultimate complement to any style dress, long or short, simple or dramatic. \$450 at Lovely Bride, 182 Duane St.; LovelyBride.com



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You’ll get a lot of use out of Búbish’s glamorous jacket made from ethically upcycled fur. The navy color makes it an ideal “something blue” on a cooler day (or night). \$345 at BHLDN, 1230 Third Ave.; BHLDN.com



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Store your wedding-day essentials in this rhinestone box clutch by Sondra Roberts. Available in silver (shown), gold or black with gunmetal, it has an optional shoulder strap. \$160 at Bloomingdale’s, 59th Street at Third Avenue; Bloomingdales.com

Save money by renting instead of purchasing. Ever by Happily Ever Borrowed’s “Rafaella” headpiece features crystals formed into branches and leaves and is one of dozens of styles brides can rent. (See story, page 34.) From \$45 at HappilyEverBorrowed.com



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HONEY, I SHRUNK THE

When the pandemic hit, these couples pivoted to pull off memorable nuptials

By HAILEY EBER

AFTER getting engaged in December 2018, Stephanie and Connor Jones quickly began planning a destination wedding for upwards of 150 guests in Banff, Canada. They set a date for June 19, 2020, during one of the few months that Connor, a professional hockey player, has off.

Connor, 30, asked 11 buddies to stand by his side on the big day, while Stephanie chose 10 bridesmaids and bought a long, flowy gown with floral accents by Hungarian label Daalarna.

"We were supposed to get married at the Fairmont Banff Springs, a historic old castle, so I tried to go very fairy tale [with the dress]," said the 27-year-old who works as a producer for ABC News.

But Stephanie never got the gown fitted, and the invitations never went out. Just as she and her mother were sealing up the envelopes with fancy wax seals, COVID-19 hit and New York City went into lockdown.

The pair, who live on the Upper West Side, initially pushed their wedding back to late July.

"We were like, 'In four weeks, we'll be fine,'" she said with a chuckle.

Then, the Canadian government shut down its borders and canceled all summer events. The bride- and groom-to-be realized that they would not be having their storybook wedding in 2020.

It was a "rollercoaster of emotions," Stephanie said. Initially, she says she was "devastated," but she quickly found perspective.

"People are dying, people are hurting, people are going through so much more," she said. "You realize: This wedding will happen when it needs to happen."

Still, they were eager to make things official. So, in early August, they sent out a text message to their closest friends asking them to join them for an impromptu wedding ceremony on a New York rooftop.

"I was like, 'Hey, guys, we're getting married next Thursday in Brooklyn. Be there or be square,'" the bride said.

COVID-19 has upended the \$74 billion wedding industry, with many couples having to cancel or postpone large, elaborate, long-planned nuptials. But some



Stephanie and Connor Jones moved their ceremony from a Canadian resort to a rooftop venue in Brooklyn.

brides and grooms are opting for small, intimate alternative ceremonies and finding they're uniquely special.

"I came to the realization that this Brooklyn wedding we ended up doing was better than our Canadian wedding would have ever been," said Stephanie, although the couple still plans to do a celebration of some kind in Banff next

year. "It was more intimate. It was more personal."

In a matter of weeks, the Joneses arranged to get married on the roof of the Bridgepoint event space in Dumbo. There was a self-serve bar and cake, masks with the couple's initials, and hand sanitizer personalized with their wedding date for the 21 guests.

"It came out amazing," said the newlywed. The

quickly planned event also had some special moments that a more elaborate one might have lacked. Stephanie got ready in their apartment with her husband to-be, instead of in a hotel room with a gaggle of bridesmaids. Connor watched as she got her makeup and hair done and helped her put on her white Sarah Seven cocktail dress and slip into her shoes.

"It was very sweet," she said. "That memory, I'll never forget."

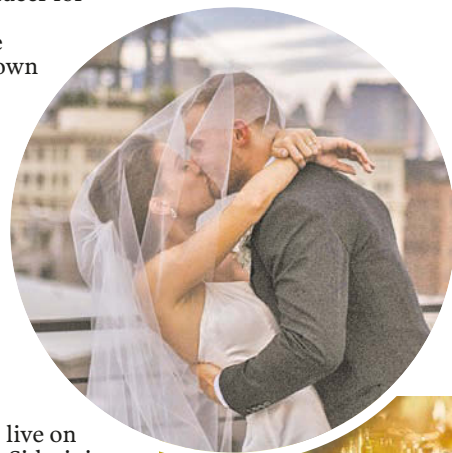
Stephanie worked with planner Lara Mahler to arrange her nuptials. Mahler, the founder of a Brooklyn-based wedding planning business called The Privilege Is Mine, had roughly three-dozen clients who had to postpone larger weddings from 2020 to 2021. But, she says, "I started finding my clients still wanted to get married."

So, she launched a side gig called Alt. Weddings specializing in micro and virtual weddings. It offers a

la carte consulting and everything-is-included packages with flowers, videographers and boxed meals at venues in Brooklyn, Manhattan and North Fork, L.I. Prices range from \$385 for one month of consulting to upwards of \$15,000 for a four-hour event for 20 guests. Some, like Stephanie, are new clients, while others were working with Mahler's other planning company, The Privilege Is Mine, on a larger event that had to be put off.

That was the case for Dan Langley and Nick Taylor. They initially hired Mahler to coordinate an 100-person Tiki-themed wedding at the Polynesian cocktail bar near their home in Hell's Kitchen in November. When they had to postpone, the pair opted for an "alt wedding."

With Mahler's help, in early October they held a micro wedding on the terrace of a suite at the Bowery Hotel. Langley's mom, Taylor's dad, and seven friends from their quarantine pod joined them for a



ABOVE: Stephanie and Connor Jones. RIGHT: Dan Langley and Nick Taylor held an intimate, elegant dinner for nine on the terrace at the Bowery Hotel.

Laura Huertas Photography; Matt Agan (right)



WEDDING



Laura Huertas Photography; Matt Agan (below)



Small was beautiful for Nick Taylor (left) and Dan Langley.

ceremony, cocktails and a private outdoor dinner from the hotel's Gemma restaurant.

"It was very different from what we initially envisioned, but it was lovely," said Langley, 38, who works in advertising. The small size meant

they really got quality time with all of their guests.

"It was really nice to get to talk to everybody at the wedding," said Taylor, 38, a software engineer.

The couple still plan to hold a big event at the Polynesian next year, and they used several vendors, such as Millers & Makers bakery and Flower Bodega florist, which they also plan to use again for the larger festivities.

"We kind of treated it as a dry run," said Langley.

Heidi Schibuk and Taris Besse are also planning a big wedding in the future. But, after getting engaged on the Jersey Shore in

June, they decided to throw a small wedding in the backyard of Bess' parents' home in Massachusetts in August.

"It's just kind of a hard time right now," said Schibuk, 30. "It felt good to move forward and celebrate."

They both have large families, so they kept the event very small, just 10 guests, to avoid hurting feelings and keep things safe. The couple, who live on the Upper East Side, only invited their parents, their siblings, and their siblings' spouses and young children.

"That was hard," says Schibuk. "We both have cousins, aunts and uncles we're really close with. But I was kinda adamant throughout the process being like 'this isn't our wedding, this is our legal ceremony.'"

Both of their mothers worked to organize the affair and make it special, doing everything from hiring a private chef for the post-ceremony meal to creating magic with flowers from Whole Foods. All the couple had to do was find a rabbi. Schibuk wore a white jumpsuit that her mother-in-law purchased for her on sale after seeing

it in a shop window. It happened to fit perfectly. Besse, a 32-year-old actuary, ordered a jacket from the Nordstrom Rack Web site that also looked great.

"We were almost beyond low-key about it," said Schibuk.

The tiny size did present some technical issues. They wanted to be married under the same huppah that Schibuk's sister's husband had built for his wedding in Vancouver 10 years ago. Four people had each held a hand-carved, eight-foot-tall post that supported the canopy. "But with social distance, we couldn't do that," said Schibuk.

So, Besse, Schibuk's father, and his brother-in-law worked to engineer the huppah to stand on its own — no small feat.

"It involved a lot of wooden dowels that had to go deep into the ground and zip ties," she says. "They got it to work. It was amazing."

It all made for a truly special day. They laid out games for the two children — a young niece and nephew who had never met before — and watched the tots play.

"That was really fun," said Schibuk. "And I hadn't seen my family in a long time. It was the first time that each of our families were really spending more time together."

The chef cooked a lovely summery meal, including an almond cake topped with berries and mascarpone. Four tables spaced out in the yard allowed for socially distanced dining.

Since Schibuk, a psychologist-in-training, and her father, a psychiatrist, both work in hospitals, safety was key.

"In pictures, it probably would look cuter if I had like a cute cloth mask on," she says. "But, I knew that a surgical mask was going to be most effective."

The PPE in no way detracted from a meaningful day. "I had the best time ever," said the newlywed. "I'm so glad we did do it this way. It was really memorable."



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MIKELAL CLARETS

By VANITA SALISBURY

A MICRO wedding can have macro impact if you are exchanging vows in tropical splendor. These are our picks for out-of-this-world nuptials.

MEXICO

Why here: Robust culture, delicious cuisine and scenery from beaches to ancient ruins.

Travel requirements: No COVID-19 test is required on entry, but travelers may need temperature checks and health screenings.

Where to get hitched: Create a splash with a wedding in a cenote — a freshwater sinkhole that the ancient Mayans believed to be entrances to the underworld. Book through planners such as My Playa Del Carmen Wedding (from \$1,575 for two hours). Stay at the 40-room, upscale jungle wellness resort **Chablé Yucatán**, which features a cenote on the property, or dip at will at the breathtaking **Hacienda Kancabé**, which comes with its own hole. The restored 19th-century sugarcane plantation home sleeps 10 and is available on Airbnb for \$585 a night.

Tequila has fueled many a celebration and now it can be a special guest at yours. The 25-room **Casa Salles** opened in August 2019, adjacent to the scenic grounds of El Tequileño distillery in Tequila, a UNESCO heritage site. A buy-out of all the rooms (approximately \$4,053) is necessary for a ceremony on the property, but amenities include a tranquility spa,

pool, sky bar and 150-year-old mango trees.

If you want to add a signature drink to your nuptials, just ask the mixologists at the newly opened **Conrad Punta de Mita** which sits on a two-mile-long beach of the Pacific coast resort of Riviera Nayarit. The themed cocktails are included in their wedding packages, which start at \$2,200 and also include perks like a mariachi band and a spiritual ceremony.

HAWAII

Why here: Come for striking natural beauty and stay for native hospitality. Plus, you get to wear leis.

Travel requirements: Journey quarantine-free with a negative result from a COVID-19 test taken within 72 hours of arrival. On the Big Island, a second test is required upon landing.

Where to get hitched: All the natural beauty of Kauai resides at the **Na Aina Kai Botanical Gardens and Sculpture Park**. Choose to tie the knot under a canopy in its hardwood forest, alongside a koi-filled lagoon, in an oceanside meadow or on the white sands of Kaluakai beach. The park is also home to 200 bronze sculptures and vast acreage including waterfalls and romantic blooms. Site rental for a three-hour ceremony for up to 25 guests is \$1,500.

The secluded paradise island of Lanai was good enough for Bill Gates' wedding. It has two Four Seasons resorts: the **Four Seasons Lanai** on the southern coast for a quiet beach ceremony, and the recently opened **Sensei Lanai**, for

Castaway couples

These destination weddings make for magical memories

Japanese-inspired wellness. Weddings for up to 30 begin at \$9,950. Or, ditch the guests — a four-night, dual resort experience for a couple is the same price.

ST. LUCIA

Why here: Those Piton mountains aren't just photogenic — the trails that wind up them are one of the outdoor adventure offerings, as well as being home to the world's only drive-in volcano.

Travel requirements: Tourists must complete a pre-arrival registration form and obtain a negative COVID-19 result within seven days of arrival.

Where to get hitched: Steeped in the vibe of the island down to tropical-wood furniture made on-site, every room in the **Ladera Resort** is open to the elements, with a plunge pool and stunning views of the Pitons.

At **Têt Rouge**, choose from lush tropical gardens in a hilltop location or directly on the beach at the base of the Gros Piton. The entire oceanfront resort and its sunset views belong to your wedding of up to 12 people for seven nights, from \$14,860.

BELIZE

Why here: Tiny Belize has big ecotourism, including the longest barrier reef in the Western Hemisphere.

Travel requirements: COVID-19 tests can be taken within 72 hours of arrival or after landing. Visitors



Hotel Aguas Claras, Costa Rica

Relaxed vibes await at Hotel Aguas Claras, Costa Rica (left). The Ladera Resort in St. Lucia has views of the Piton volcanoes (right). Say aloha to marriage in a Hawaiian garden (below right).

tors are required to download the Belize Health App for contact tracing and reporting health symptoms.

Where to get hitched: At **Royal Belize**, your 7.5-acre private island getaway comes with three luxe villas sleeping up to 16 guests. Prices starting at \$11,500 for a full staff including a chef and an adventure ambassador for lobster-spearing. Wedding packages (from \$999) include a pig roast reception, local garifuna drummers for a procession, a full band, conch shell wedding aisle, private couple's massage and more.

The sustainable **Copal Tree Lodge** is in a jungle attached to an organic farm, 12,000-acre nature preserve, and the Copallirum distillery. Ceremonies are fully customizable for

up to 75 people (with elopement package available) in locations including the lodge's rustic thatched-roof palapa or under the farm's towering Ceiba tree, which the Mayans called the Tree of Life. Packages can include a live band or snorkeling adventures for the wedding party. Prices start at \$1,899 for the couple plus 4 guests, to \$4,189 for up to 30 guests.

ST. BARTS

Why here: The Caribbean island is famous for celebrity spotting from Beyoncé to Leonardo DiCaprio. Francophiles can go from daytime duty-free shopping to over-the-top nightlife.

Travel requirements: Visitors over the age of 11 must show a negative COVID-19 test taken within three days

of arrival. Travelers staying longer than a week must take another on the eighth day.

Where to get hitched: If Paris had a beachfront, it would be **Le Barthélemy**, with each of the 44 easy, breezy rooms of the luxury hideaway equipped with its own plunge pool and oceanfront views. Wedding locations include the recently added rooftop bar to the two six-bedroom villas, complete with full kitchen, wine cellar and swimming pool, which can be combined to create a residence of 12 bedrooms. Villas start at \$35,200 for 7 nights; packages from \$6,146.

Or, be exclusive in a private villa. From \$3,050 per night, a cozy six-bedroom villa in **Petit Cul-de-Sac** from Airbnb houses four



Casa de Campo

Get hitched at Casa de Campo in the Dominican Republic, which has its own cathedral complete with panoramic view.

MicroWeddings

height-differentiated bungalows in lush gardens. Or, opt for the \$10,000 per night **Caribbean Dream Estate** and get 12 bedrooms in two villas on the blue lagoon at Grand Cul-de-Sac.

COSTA RICA

Why here: Rugged and rainforested, this Central American country is a haven for surfers and biodiversity.

Travel requirements: Visitors must complete a digital health pass, provide a negative COVID-19 test taken within 72 hours of departure, and have COVID-19 travel insurance.

Where to get hitched: Wake up above an ocean-side jungle to the sound of howler monkeys at **Tierra Magnifica**. A takeover wedding at this surf-adjacent 14-room boutique resort (eight of them coming

mid-December) requires a three-night minimum (\$5,730 per night) plus \$250 a head for a three-event package of welcome BBQ, rehearsal dinner, wedding ceremony and reception.

The Hotel Aguas Claras is a bohemian Caribbean

coast hideaway with relaxed vibes, secluded beach access and accommodation for up to 40 wedding guests across luxury bungalows, themed suites and a two-story house. A waterfront wedding package includes a rehearsal dinner, multi-course and a la carte menu. A full buyout starts from \$6,000.

PUERTO RICO

Why here: No passports required for natural wonders like rainforests, salt flats and the three out of five of the world's only bioluminescent bays.

Travel requirements: Visitors must fill out a form through the health department's online portal, and show proof of a negative COVID-19 test taken no more than 72 hours before arrival. There is a 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew in place until Nov. 13.

Where to get hitched: For true wow factor, find a

ruin. Castillo San Felipe del Morro and Castillo San Cristóbal, both 400 years old, overlook Old San Juan Bay and can be reserved with the correct permits. Or choose the elegant **Hotel El Convento**. Built in the mid-1600s and housing the first Carmelite convent in the Americas, old-world ambiance is imbued in every aspect. Couples can exchange vows outdoors in the private herb garden, with dinner on an outdoor patio under a 100-year-old nispero tree, or in the atmospherically hand-painted Salón Martorell. Wedding packages begin at \$134 per person.

The former coconut plantation of **St. Regis Bahía** has an impressive entrance that's only outdone by what sprawls beyond: 483 lush acres near the El Yunque national rainforest, a golf course, and two miles of secluded crescent beach. At this certified gold Audubon sanctuary, opt for a ceremony on the sand or flanked by greenery with the soundtrack of chirping wildlife. Prices start at \$5,400.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Why here: Merengue on white sand beaches, tickle your taste buds, or tackle Pico Duarte, the tallest point in the Caribbean.

Travel requirements: No COVID-19 test is required for entry, but randomized rapid tests are implemented upon arrival. There's a curfew weekdays from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., and 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. on weekends.

Where to get hitched: The 7,000-acre **Casa de Campo** resort boasts its own marina, private airport and on-site hospital, providing a big-wedding feel no matter the size of your guest list. Its unique all-stone cathedral, perched at the resort's Altos de Chavón, a replica 16th-century Mediterranean village, boasts views above the Chavón river.

Punta Cana's modern **Pearl Beach Club** hosts weddings with six available venues, including a private beach, starting at \$700, with complimentary personalized wedding-planning service. A good time is built in: The club is known for its pool bacchanalias.

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SOMETHING BORROWED

Savvy brides — and guests — are saving money with rented outfits

By ERIKA PRAFDER

TODAY'S brides are finding that they can look as on-trend or traditional as they choose, without

breaking the bank, by renting outfits instead of spending a ton of cash on what will likely be one-off wears. They're turning to sites such as HappilyEverBorrowed.com, a luxe e-rental site founded eight years ago by Brittany Finkle.

With a background as a buyer for Hermès and Chanel, she knew that brides often spend their whole budget on a dress and accessories.

"Veils are only worn for 30 minutes but can be super expensive — some cost \$1,200," she said. "I figured out a way to rent to brides so they could spend more on their wedding experience and not on an object that they only wear once."

There's also a demand for eco-friendly wedding day decisions, especially among millennial brides-to-be.

"These brides are way

more interested in saving the environment and making sustainable lifestyle choices," said Finkle. "I thought about how I could reduce waste in the wedding industry when launching this business."

The ability to shop a wide variety at Internet speed has also fueled the success of Finkle's business, which has serviced 1,500 brides to date.

"In a brick-and-mortar bridal boutique, you can only see so many things. Online, there are more options. It's so easy to see what's out there," she said — not to mention that in these times, it's a safe, non-contact way of shopping.

On her company's Web site, which showcases up to 400 items at any one time, "You can rent everything except the bridal dress and shoes. We offer veils, hair accessories, jewelry and clutches for 4 and 8-day

Save a bundle with a hired wedding dress from Rent the Runway.



Rent the Runway



rentals. The prices are typically 80 percent off retail," said Finkle. For example, a Sara Gabriel veil, usually sold for \$410, can rent for \$140. (See page 34 for their "Rafaella" headpiece.)

With the "send before you spend box," "You can try any three pieces on our site for \$50. When products are returned to us, you get \$25 back towards your rental," said Finkle.

Late fees for returns do apply, and if an item is damaged beyond repair, "Customers must pay for the item in full," she added.

For those in need of styling advice, "we have two separate features. There's a

style quiz to help brides identify theirs — boho, romantic, modern. You can also chat with a stylist on our team. Submit a picture of your dress and we'll give recommendations remotely."

As for the pièce de résistance, the wedding gown, RentTheRunway.com's wedding section displays a curated selection of bride and bridesmaid styles as well as guest options for the big day. Bridal bargains include designer brand names such as Monique Lhuillier, Badgley Mischka and Marchesa, with rentals starting at \$40, says Blaire Walsh, the special-occasion

dress rental company's style director.

"Weddings have always been part of our concept," she said. "Women rent from us for all sorts of weddings — cocktail, city black tie, Arizona desert vibe or Aspen attire. Rental is a great tool to ensure you have the perfect look for all your special moments."

To ensure an ideal fit, "We don't advise at-home tailoring, but we do have great size recommendations on our Web site and an amazing community of real women who post images of themselves in our styles and make recommendations," said Walsh.

By HAILEY EBER

PLANNING a wedding can be stressful and overwhelming, and now, even more so. Here, local experts offer tips for those looking to get hitched in this unprecedented time.

BE PREPARED TO CANCEL

"Negotiate vendor contracts that have clear and specific cancellation clauses and force majeure [a clause that frees both parties in the event of unforeseen circumstances]," said Ashley Douglass, a New York and Connecticut wedding planner. She also suggested "an option to reschedule to another date next year with little to no rescheduling fees. In some cases, this won't be possible. A compromise would be to choose a day other than Saturday or Friday."

She also suggested a clause for involuntary reduction in guests if a government entity limits numbers, so you're not on the hook for food and beverage minimums.

In addition, have a candid conversation

Knot so simple

Timely tips for pandemic couples

with potential vendors, advised Alison Szleifer and Jonathan Stamper-Halpin of Two Kindred Event Planners. "It's important to understand how they are approaching these challenging times."

STAY INFORMED

"Add yourself to the mailing list for updates with respect to COVID-19 in the state where the wedding is taking place," said Ang Weddings and Events' Tzo Ai Ang. "Sign up on the state governor's Web site. The infection rates and, hence, event rules in each state can change quickly. Make sure you keep up to date with the state guidelines for indoor and outdoor events leading up to your wedding."

BE CLEAR WITH YOUR GUESTS

"Give them information about whether the events are taking place indoors or outdoors, how many guests you expect, if

masks should be worn when not eating or drinking, if there will be dancing, if guests will be asked to quarantine and/or have a COVID-19 test just prior to the wedding," said Ang. "That way guests can decide if they feel comfortable attending. . . [but] it is a lot of information, so communicate this in a digital format like Paperless Post, on your wedding Web site or an e-mail."

And, know that some of your nearest and dearest might opt out. "It isn't unreasonable to still not feel comfortable traveling and being in groups," said Amy Jones with Amy Champagne Events.

KEEP GUESTS COMFORTABLE

Making sure guests feel safe is key, said Ang. "At a recent wedding, we distributed custom printed cotton bags with PPE items including cloth masks with a chain, disposable masks and hand sanitizer."

Arrange guests in couples, families or

with people in their quarantine pod. "Let guests have more control over who they sit with based on their comfort," said Jove Meyer with Jove Meyer Events.

TAKE CARE WITH FOOD AND DRINK

"Avoid all self-service buffets," advises Ang. "Have the buffet set up behind a plexi barrier and only the server touches the plates and food." Consider putting boxed slices of cake at each place setting.

JUST DO IT

"Revise your expectations and have the wedding. Perhaps a cliché, but tomorrow is not guaranteed," said Jones. "Have the party now, celebrate safely and enjoy the rest of your life's milestones."

Meyer also advises creating virtual links with those who can't be there. "Don't be afraid of Zoom," he said. "It can feel special and beautiful."

There are also styling services available through the company's customer experience team, through which members can call or e-mail a team member, and chat with a stylist through the app.

Plus, "If there are any fit issues or if she wants to replace a style, we offer a two-day turnaround with shipping," said Walsh.

Dresses can be rented for either 4 or 8 days, which works well for destination weddings.

If you're confident



in your choice, you can get your package delivered straight to your resort.

"For those hosting destination weddings or simply traveling for honeymoons, you can place a rental order with us, we'll ship out and have your styles sent directly to your hotel," said Walsh. "You would just be responsible for the return FedEx."

Wedding party members

and guests can also rent an outfit through StyleLend.com. CEO Lona Alia founded the peer-to-peer closet rental service in 2013.

"Women with designer clothing, accessories, jewelry and shoes rent to other women, making money in the process," said Alia, whose company takes a 20 percent cut of each transaction. Lenders can earn upwards of \$10,000 annually when they list designer items from Gucci, Christian Louboutin, Louis Vuitton, Chanel and the like.

"Sharing designer goods and fashion can be a bit more sustainable. It's like Airbnb for closets," said Alia.

With 70,000 current users, brides-to-be can borrow items such as a \$5,000 Chanel bag for \$150 for the week, or mid-tier dresses from Self-Portrait and Elie Saab for \$50-\$75 dollars, said Alia. "It's very reasonable."

To ensure size and fit before renting, site users rely on comments and feedback from previous renters, although temporary tailoring is allowed, provided it can be easily undone.

Looking ahead, "We would love to do more with matching people based on size and style. We want to use machine learning and artificial intelligence to propose merchandise based on other items users have rented in the past," said Alia.

Keeping it clean

SANITIZING rental garments is a priority, and now extra precautions are being taken by bridal rental-attire companies to ensure laundering and disinfection are up to snuff.

"Owners of the items rented out use rigorous hygiene steps to ensure every item is cleaned thoroughly before sending it out," said Lona Alia, CEO of StyleLend.com. "We recommend that items are washed in soap and water versus dry-cleaned since that removes multiple hands touching the garment, and when soap is used, the item is submersed in soapy water [and] all bacteria are removed."

According to the "clean confidence" section of RentTheRunway.com: "After going through our rigorous cleaning processes, most pieces pass through a steam tunnel between 248°F and 302°F and are immediately sealed in plastic to protect them from any additional handling."

In addition, "We use poly plastic covers to protect the garments in our shared closet."

— Erika Prafder

While a pandemic wedding needs thought and planning, it can be a wonderful celebration.



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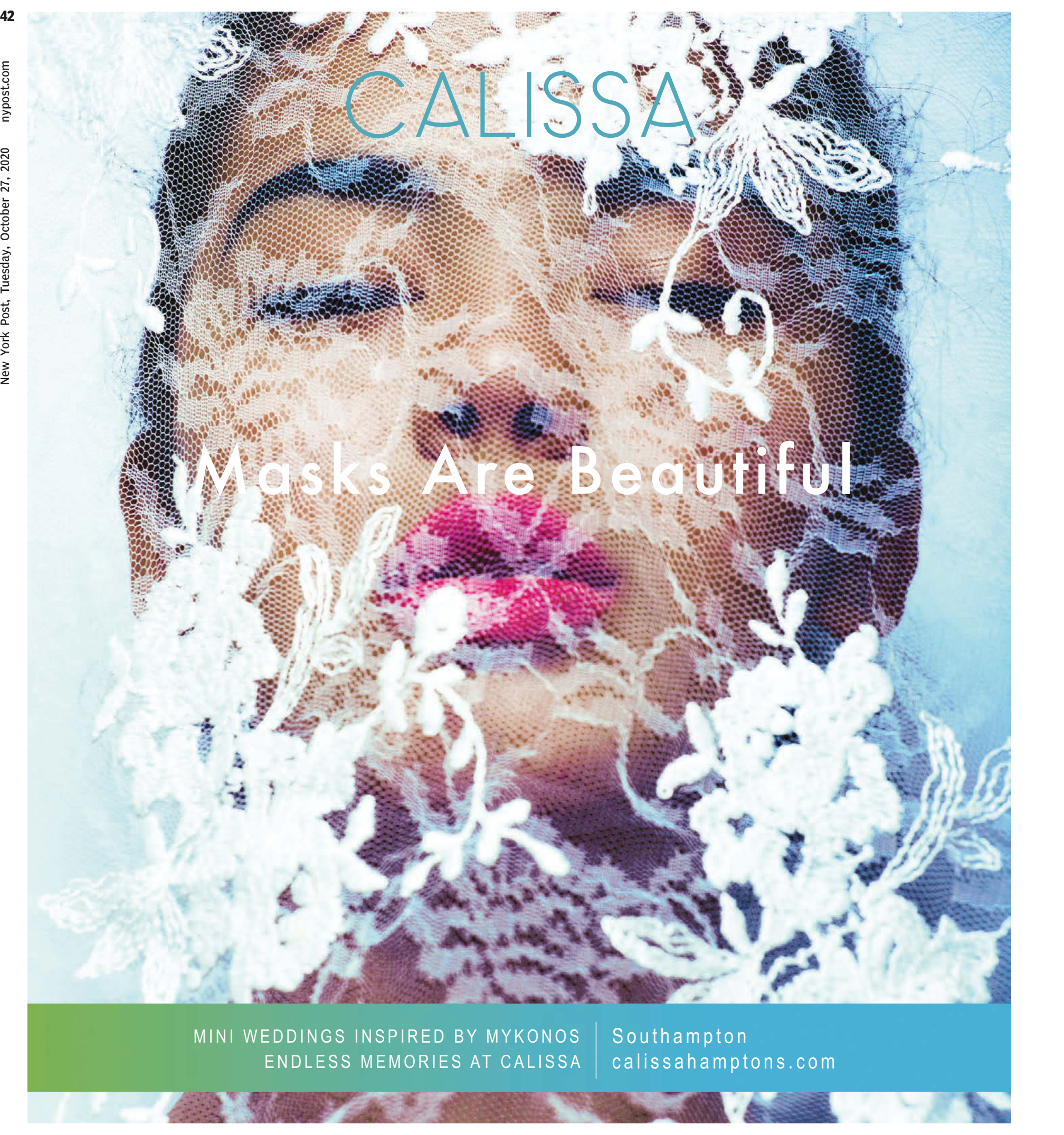
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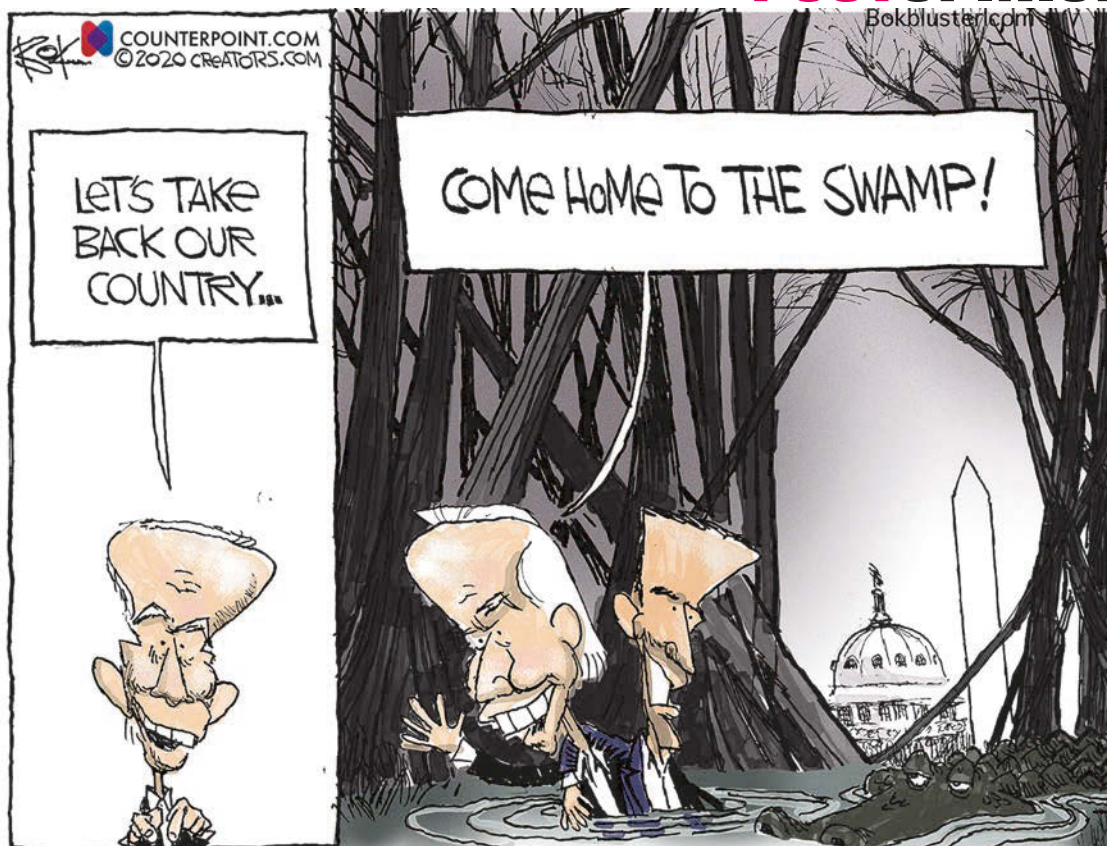


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Joe's War on Progress

JOE Biden wants to take one of the great American success stories of the last several decades — and drive it into the ground.

He would turn his back on the stupendous wealth represented by proven reserves of oil and gas in this country.

Rather than focusing on producing cheap, abundant energy — a key ingredient to human progress through all of human history — he would embark on the fool's errand of trying to adjust the world's thermostat 80 years from now.

After a 50-year effort to diminish our reliance on Middle Eastern oil, which has miraculously happened at last, Biden would force America to transition to solar and wind, industries currently dependent on Chinese supply chains.

Whereas California has embraced the radical goal of a carbon-free electric grid by 2045, and has drastically increased the price of energy in the state already, Biden has seen and raised the Golden State's gambit by embracing a goal of 2035.

All this was underlined by Biden's statement at the end of last week's debate that he wants to transition from oil, which constituted a gaffe only for anyone who hadn't been paying attention to his Green New Deal-inflected energy plan.

It's a funny time to want to kneecap oil and gas. Proven reserves of natural gas in the United States are higher than ever before, thanks to American-made technological in-

novations. A couple of years ago, the United States surpassed Russia and Saudi Arabia in crude-oil production. In recent years, petroleum and natural-gas exports have been increasing. And, of course, the rise of natural gas has cut US carbon emissions.

This should be considered a national strength to be built on, not a national shame to be put on a glide path to extinction. Fossil fuels are tremendously useful source of energy, and no hype about renewables can obscure that reality.

In 2019, petroleum, natural gas and coal accounted for 80 percent



RICH LOWRY

of overall energy consumption in the United States, according to US Energy Information Administration. Renewables made up only 11 percent, and the bulk of that came from biomass (wood and biofuels) and hydroelectric. Despite being heavily subsidized, wind and solar combined were responsible for only about a third of our renewable energy.

As the Danish economist Bjorn Lomborg points out, the share of US energy that comes from renewables declined over the last century. The rise of fossil fuels were a boon to humanity, a major advance over those old renewables, wood and dung.

"Over a century and a half," Lomborg writes, "we shed our reliance on renewable energy and powered the Industrial Revolution with fossil fuels."

The oil and gas industry should also be prized as a source of good American jobs. Petroleum engineers make about \$137,000 a year, pump system and refinery operators, \$72,000 a year, wellhead pumpers, \$58,000, and roustabouts \$44,000, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The idea that we are going to transition to wind and solar painlessly is a fantasy. Germany has been spending tens of billions a year trying to make this happen. Its renewable-energy program has doubled the cost of energy, while fossil fuels still account for about 80 percent of its energy supply.

If we think eschewing fossil fuels is going to convince other countries to do the same, we are fooling ourselves. Like in the United States, the industrial take-off in China coincided with a jump in the use of coal. China is still building coal plants at a furious clip. The Middle Kingdom has plans to add more than the current US coal-fired capacity on top of its already prodigious use of coal, which accounts for more than half of the world's total.

The Biden plan is an assault on American ingenuity and wealth, not to mention common sense. At least after last week, no one can say he wasn't warned.

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My Baby Has Cancer & ObamaCare Hurts

JOE Biden has been running an ad in which he says he can't imagine what it would be like to have a child with cancer and no health coverage. I don't have to imagine. Under the health "reform" championed by Biden when he served as President Barack Obama's vice president, I live that reality every day.

Twice over the past three years, ObamaCare has had no plans to sell us that covers little girls ravaged by cancer or recovering from that ordeal — and it might leave us floundering again.

In November 2015, my wife got the most dreadful call a parent can get. The doctor knew why our daughter Colette, then 2 ½ years old, hadn't been feeling well: Blood work had revealed leukemia.

Thanks to ObamaCare, we were already in financial straits. In 2014, the law had eliminated a great plan we had had for years. Before ObamaCare went into effect, the private marketplace offered us a wide menu of relatively inexpensive plans that covered specialist care, even out of state.

Afterward, however, all that was left were increasingly costly plans with fewer benefits. Premiums swelled. In 2017, I took my family into the ObamaCare marketplace to escape at least the crushing premiums.

But things were about to get much worse than expensive. In mid-2017, President Trump merely suggested scrapping massive ObamaCare subsidies to insurance giants that only delivered lousy care at ever-greater cost. In response, every insurer in northern Virginia with a family plan pulled out for the following year.

That is, except one. But Cigna

CHRISTOPHER B. BRIGGS

thanks to ObamaCare, we were left without coverage for our daughter recovering from cancer.

Perhaps the marketplace would grant us a waiver to buy the Cigna plan still for sale in our ZIP code? Nope. So, like in 2017, we were forced to turn to Warner, to bully Anthem into its covering the clinic — at least through April 1, 2021.

After that? Who knows.

Open enrollment for next year starts Nov. 1. I could beg Warner to gear up for another round of veiled threats to a private company, to force one to cover us. Perhaps President Trump could issue an executive order prohibiting the

Before ObamaCare went into effect, the private marketplace offered us a wide range of relatively inexpensive plans.

Connect wouldn't cover Colette at Inova Fairfax, the one hospital in the region with a pediatric cancer ward. Under ObamaCare, our daughter was effectively without coverage for cancer.

Panicked, we called the politicians, the media and Cigna. We retained an attorney. Nothing changed. No full policy coverage from Cigna. Without options, I shut down part of my consulting business and started work at a friend's organization for its group insurance — and got saddled with monthly premiums far in excess of what we could afford.

Thanks to the publicity and some strong-arming by Sen. Mark Warner (D-Va.), Cigna agreed to cover the hospital — but it was too late for us. Then, for 2020, we purchased a better plan from Anthem, newly returned to the ObamaCare marketplace. We thought we might be done with insurance crises.

How naïve. In mid-March, with the novel coronavirus sweeping the country, Colette's cancer doctors told us Anthem had decided that, in two weeks, it would no longer cover her clinic. Once again,

insurance companies from pulling out of the market midyear, leaving children stranded.

But none of these is the right long-term answer. We must repeal ObamaCare and put into the hands of Americans real, automatically renewable insurance products curated to individual needs. Too many Colettes will suffer, and possibly die, waiting for the personal carve-outs only a few of us can ever get anyway.

To solve the inherent instability of ObamaCare, the state could just take over all medical facilities. It's called single-payer. But then we would all be at the mercy of the same government bureaucracy that has been working for years to slowly kill my daughter.

And that has taught us a lesson. Turns out there is a nightmare worse than one's watching cancer brutalize one's little girl. It's having Obama's law — which his vice president rightly claims as his own — collude with the disease against her.

Mr. Biden, you might try imagining what that feels like. Christopher B. Briggs is public-affairs counsel with the Independent Institute in Oakland, Calif.

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Cloud games

Facebook on Monday launched a free-to-play cloud gaming feature that allows users to stream and play such titles as "Asphalt 9: Legends" and "WWE SuperCard" without having to download them.

Streak ends

Sales of new homes fell in September, breaking a four-month streak of gains, as the housing market's hot summer buying season cooled. The Commerce Department said sales fell 3.5 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 959,000 units.

AIG revamp

American International Group said it will split its life-insurance business into a separate company and named President Peter Zaffino as chief executive, effective March 1. AIG's shares jumped 6.7 percent to \$33.36 in after-hours trading.

Keep it clean

Procter & Gamble's sanitizing spray Microban 24 was approved by the Environmental Protection Agency as effective in killing the virus that causes COVID-19.

Chicken scent

KFC has brought back its fried chicken-scented 11 Herbs & Spices Firelog for a third year. The item is being sold exclusively at Walmart.

Sources: AP, Dow Jones and Reuters

GIVE US A CRUMB!

Eateries beg to reopen — or get some info



By JENNIFER GOULD

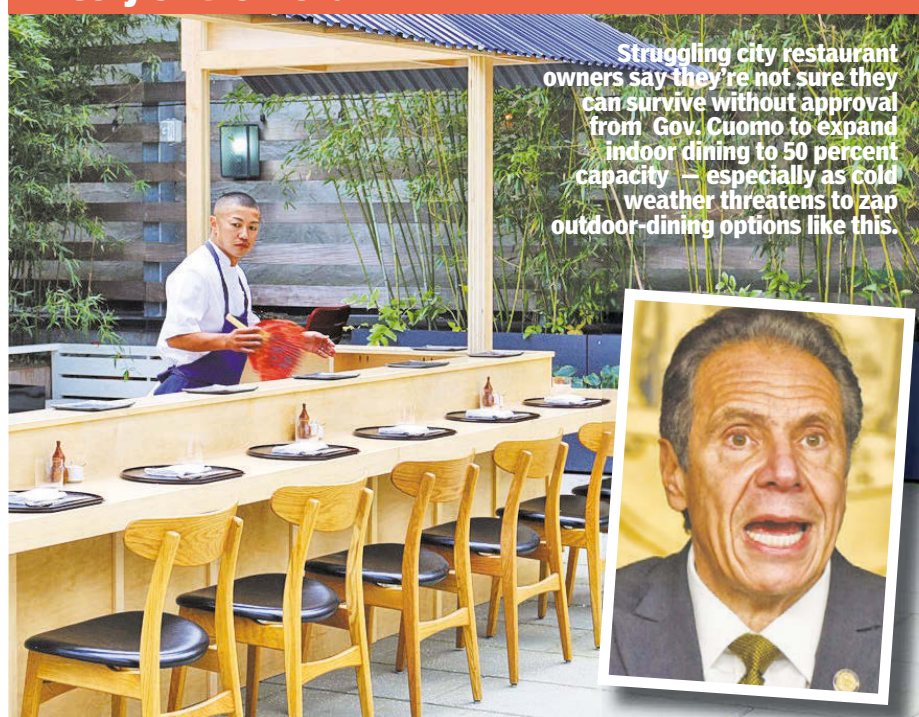
New York City's struggling restaurants have given up hope that they will be allowed to double their indoor seating on Nov. 1 amid rising infection rates and radio silence from Albany, The Post has learned.

Restaurant owners and lobbyists say they've heard zilch from Gov. Cuomo on his promise to consider increasing indoor dining capacity by the end of this month. That silence has left them unable to plan — and bracing for another wave of closures.

"I think we would have heard by now if indoor dining was going to expand by November first. People need time to prepare," said restaurant consultant Donny Evans. "Restaurateurs are scared," Evans added. "Without expanded indoor dining, there will be a tsunami of closings."

Indoor dining in NYC launched for the first time in six months on Sept. 30 at 25 percent capacity, which restaurant owners say isn't enough to keep them in business once it gets too cold for outdoor dining.

Misery on the menu



But many moved forward anyway on Cuomo's Sept. 25 vow to look at raising indoor capacity to 50 percent by Nov. 1 if infection rates remained steady.

The seven-day moving average of coronavirus cases across the city at the time was 882, according to Worldometers.info. Now it's 1,665, roughly double, as the city deals with spikes across nine ZIP codes that have already been forced to pare back their reopening efforts.

Still, restaurateurs say they

want answers.

"What angers me the most is that Cuomo doesn't give us direction for the future," said restaurant consultant Rick Camac, director of operations for Tribeca's Kitchen. "All of us who thought Nov. 1 was happening spent money getting ready for it. There is a cost to reopen. Will some restaurants now be going out of business? Absolutely."

The Governor's Office didn't immediately return a request for comment.

Andrew Rigie of the New

York City Hospitality Alliance said his organization is now pushing for the Governor's Office to increase indoor capacity to 50 percent minus the red zones in a last-ditch effort to help city restaurants survive the winter.

"We are advocating for 50 percent occupancy in non-red-zone areas, with potential modifications in yellow and orange zones," Rigie said.

"Outside of those zones, the infection rates remain low, so we're hopeful we can safely increase to 50 percent

like the rest of the state," he said, citing a statewide average of 1.2 percent "without the red zones"

"Restaurants will continue to close even with 50 percent occupancy but it's still more helpful than only having 25 percent," he added.

Selwyn Chan, co-owner of Chikarashi Isso, says he doesn't plan to reopen his Rector Street location until indoor dining capacity is at 50 percent. It just doesn't make financial sense, he said.

The 25 percent capacity "is a joke. For us, that would have meant 18 seats," Chan said of the fine-dining establishment, which doesn't have outdoor seating.

In an effort to pay the bills, Chikarashi Isso last month opened an outdoor pop-up at the Hotel 50 Bowery. It's a ten-seat chef's counter on the hotel's second-floor terrace, where Chef Atsushi Kono prepares a 13-course yakitori omakase menu for \$150 per person.

"Our current strategy is to get by with the limited off-site outdoor pop-up and wait for the 50-percent capacity before reopening our actual restaurant space," Chan said.

Still, he's not sure how long he can hold on. While his landlord has been forgiving so far, "that can't last forever," he said.

And once he does reopen, Chan sees "one shot to make it work."

"If a second wave shuts us down, it will be the nail in the coffin," he said.

Dollars to Donuts after acquisition report

Investors gobbled up shares of Dunkin' Brands on Monday after the doughnut chain said it's in talks to be acquired by restaurant conglomerate Inspire Brands.

The Massachusetts-based company's stock price surged 16 percent to \$103.10 after it said it has had "preliminary discussions" about a

deal with Inspire, which owns chains such as Arby's, Jimmy John's and Buffalo Wild Wings.

"There is no certainty that any agreement will be reached," Dunkin' said in a Sunday statement, adding that it won't comment further until a deal is made or the talks are terminated.

The deal on the table would see Inspire — which is backed by private-equity firm Roark Capital — take Dunkin' private at \$106.50 a share, valuing the company at roughly \$8.8 billion, according to The New York Times, which first reported on the talks Sunday.

If it goes through, the takeover

would mark a return to private ownership for Dunkin', which also owns the Baskin-Robbins ice-cream chain. The company was bought by a group of private-equity outfits — including Bain Capital, Carlyle Group and Thomas H. Lee Partners — in 2005 before it went public in 2011.

Noah Manskar

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Elon's electrifying \$11.8B

Tesla CEO Elon Musk collected the fourth tranche of his eye-popping \$50 billion performance-based compensation deal this month, bringing his total stock awards to date to roughly \$11.8 billion.

Musk (right) was given the option to buy \$3 billion worth of Tesla stock for a measly \$500 million after the electric automaker's six-month average market-cap hit \$250 billion and Tesla reported its fifth-straight quarter of profitability, the company said

in a Monday SEC filing. To earn his full \$50 billion award, Musk must lead Tesla to a market cap of \$650 billion by 2028.

Tesla's board signed off on the compensation package in March 2018, when the company's market cap was just \$52.46 billion. As of Monday afternoon, Tesla is the world's most valuable automaker with a valuation of over \$385 billion.

For his first three milestones, Musk received the option to buy 1.69

million Tesla shares at \$350 a pop after each was certified. But after Tesla's 5-for-1 stock split in August he now gets to buy 8.44 million shares at \$70 each. Tesla's stock is currently worth \$420.28 a share.

The South African-born billionaire, who doesn't take a salary from Tesla, saw his fortune more than quadruple this year to exceed \$100 billion, making him the world's fourth-richest person.

Nicolas Vega



Boot goes on for big landlords

Some of America's largest residential landlords have moved to boot thousands of tenants from their homes during the coronavirus pandemic despite federal eviction protections, a new report says.

Big corporate landlords have filed nearly 10,000 eviction actions in courts across five states even though the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has barred them from kicking out many tenants who can't pay rent because of the COVID-19 crisis, NBC News reported on Monday.

While the CDC rules say such tenants can't be physically removed from their homes before the end of the year, they allow landlords to start eviction proceedings and don't require them to tell tenants about available protections.

Progress Residential, which owns and leases 40,000 homes nationwide, has filed 97 eviction cases against tenants since the CDC announced its eviction rules in early September, and even that's dwarfed by the 281 cases brought by real estate services firm Ventron Management, NBC reported.

Landlords told NBC they're following the CDC rules and working with tenants who are struggling to pay rent due to the pandemic. *Noah Manskar*

Wall St. sicker shock

COVID spike, stim doubts rock marts

By NOAH MANSKAR

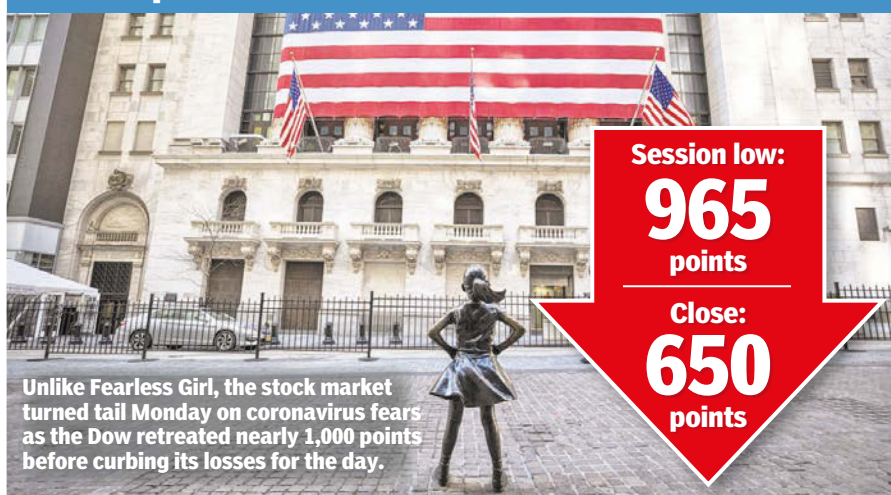
US stocks suffered their worst sell-off in weeks Monday as Wall Street grappled with a nationwide surge in coronavirus infections and continued doubts about another stimulus package.

The Dow Jones industrial average sank as much as 965.41 points, or 3.4 percent, to 27,370.16 in early trading after the US recorded more than 83,000 new COVID-19 cases on both Friday and Saturday — breaking the previous mid-July peak of about 77,000.

The blue-chip index recovered to close down 650.19 points, or 2.29 percent, but it was still the worst day since Sept. 3, when it shed about 1,025 points before closing down 807.77.

The S&P 500 on Monday dropped as much as 2.9 percent before clawing back losses to close down 1.9 percent to start the final week

Stocks spooked



of trading before the presidential election. The Nasdaq lost 1.6 percent.

"The double whammy of a stalled stimulus bill and new highs in cases is a harsh reminder of the many worries that are still out there," said

Ryan Detrick, chief market strategist for LPL Financial.

Investors appeared unnerved by the spike in the virus — which could do even more damage during the colder fall and winter months — despite news that British

drugmaker AstraZeneca's experimental vaccine provoked an immune response.

Recent spikes in infections have led to renewed lockdown measures in European countries, raising further questions about the

pandemic's economic harm. But White House chief of staff Mark Meadows told CNN on Sunday that the US is "not going to control the pandemic" because COVID-19 is "a contagious virus just like the flu."

"It is becoming difficult for investors to keep a cool head," said Milan Cutkovic, market analyst at Axi. "Whether there will be another major sell-off or a continuation of the stock market rally will likely depend on how quickly governments and central banks will react to the latest developments in the COVID-19 pandemic."

It also looks increasingly unlikely that Congress and the Trump administration will reach a deal on a new stimulus before the Nov. 3 election. Economists say more spending is needed to continue the nation's recovery from the economic collapse that the pandemic caused in the spring.

Stephen Yang

Software diSAPpointment

'China Teslas' Eur.-bound

German software giant SAP saw its stock price collapse Monday as it slashed its yearly financial targets while predicting lasting damage from the coronavirus pandemic.

SAP's Frankfurt-listed shares sank 22 percent to 97.50 euros (\$115.16), as one of Europe's most valuable tech firms had its worst trading day in more than two decades. Its New York-listed stock tumbled 23 percent to \$114.62.

"SAP's poor [third-quarter] results and weak outlook suggest that a recovery for on-premise software vendors could take longer than anticipated, as clients continue to delay major IT upgrades," said Bloomberg Intelligence analysts Anurag Rana and Gili Naftalovich.

SAP's gloomy outlook sent shares of business-software companies lower. Oracle, Salesforce and Microsoft all lost ground. *Noah Manskar*

Tesla will reportedly ship about 7,000 cars from China to Europe this week after announcing plans to export vehicles from its Shanghai factory.

The load of Model 3 sedans produced at the electric-car maker's first plant outside the US will leave China on Tuesday, according to The Paper, a state-backed Chinese news outlet. The cars will reportedly be sold in several European countries

including France, Germany, Italy and Portugal after they arrive at Belgian ports next month.

Tesla's Shanghai "Gigafactory," which opened late last year, could help it make more vehicles for Europe while it works to build a new plant in Germany. The Silicon Valley automaker expects to start delivering cars from the Berlin-area factory next year, CEO Elon Musk said last week. *Noah Manskar*

Record \$35B stox sale eyed

The world's largest fintech company, China's Ant Group, will try to raise nearly \$35 billion in a massive public offering of stock that would shatter records.

Alibaba-affiliated Ant Group will hold dual listings in Shanghai and Hong Kong.

Its Shanghai stock was priced at \$10.26 each, while its Hong Kong stock is \$10.32 a share, according to filings.

The share offering is expected to surpass oil company Saudi Aramco's \$29 billion sale last year. *AP*



BUDDING FUTURE
Expect shorter AirPods stems.

Apple may cut stems

Apple is reportedly eyeing new designs for its pricey AirPods — and their distinctive, white “stems” could become a major casualty.

The iPhone maker is working on a pair of new models — the first a sequel to its standard, \$159 in-ear headphones, and the second being a follow-up to its more expensive \$249 AirPods Pro, Bloomberg reported.

The new design of the lower-priced model will see Apple reduce the length of the AirPods’ stems — extensions that many critics derided as awkward-looking upon their release — and which stick out about an inch on current models.

The facelift will make the stems look more like those of the current AirPods Pro, which have a significantly smaller form factor and feature replaceable rubber “ear tips” — the part that’s inserted into the ear canal.

The earbuds are reportedly being prepared for a launch in the first half of 2021.

Apple is also considering rolling out another Siri smart speaker. *Nicolas Vega*

Asia iPhone competition

Apple’s top iPhone maker has a competitor on its heels — and it’s based in China.

Taiwan-based Foxconn — the main manufacturer for iPhones — has set up a task force to fend off the threat from China’s Luxshare.

Foxconn founder Terry Gou is spearheading the project as Luxshare is poised to become the first mainland China-headquartered company to assemble iPhones. *Nicolas Vega*



HASBRO'S UNSOLD MARVELS

Film-delay woe for toys

By LISA FICKENSCHER

Hasbro’s Hollywood strategy is taking a hit from COVID-19.

The toy giant said Monday it has been slammed by coronavirus-related delays of big movie releases with toy tie-ins, among them “Black Widow” and “Ghostbusters: Afterlife” — both of which have been pushed back to next year.

Shares of the Pawtucket, RI-based company tanked more than 10 percent in Monday afternoon trades. Despite strong demand for board games like Monopoly, Hasbro’s results paled versus those of archrival Mattel, whose Barbie-driven sales spurt had sent its stock soaring nearly 10 percent.

As schools in many parts of the country continue to hold classes online and outdoor activities remain limited, parents have turned to toys and board games to keep their children occupied, boosting sales for both Hasbro and Mattel.



COVID EFFECT: The delay of films like “Black Widow” (left) hurts Hasbro’s tie-in toy sales, while games soar.

Total revenue from all of Hasbro’s gaming brands jumped 21 percent to about \$543 million in the third quarter.

While Hasbro said it was positioned well for a “good” holiday, it stopped short of providing a sales forecast — unlike Mattel, which last week said it expected mid-single-digit growth in gross sales for the crucial season.

The company admitted that coronavirus-induced production delays pushed revenue from its TV, film and entertainment business down 28 percent to \$165.7 million. In addition to Disney’s “Black Widow”

and Columbia Pictures’ “Ghostbusters,” movies with Hasbro tie-ins that have been delayed include Paramount Pictures’ GI Joe prequel “Snake Eyes.”

The company’s net revenue rose 12.8 percent to \$1.78 billion in the quarter ended Sept. 27, beating analysts’ average estimate of \$1.75 billion, according to IBES data from Refinitiv.

“Live-action entertainment production is returning,” Hasbro Chief Executive Brian Goldner said in a statement, “and we are set to improve deliveries in the fourth quarter with some moving into 2021.” *With Reuters*

Marvel Studios

Here’s breaking-even news from BuzzFeed

At the end of a staff-wide video call in early October about improving diversity, BuzzFeed chief executive Jonah Peretti revealed some good news: The company is on target to break even this

year for the first time since 2014.

What was left unsaid is how BuzzFeed got there. Revenue is expected to come in significantly lower this year than in 2019, according

to people familiar with the company’s performance, largely because of severe pressure on the advertising market in the early days of the coronavirus crisis.

But BuzzFeed more than

offset that decline with around \$30 million in cost cuts, through a mix of furloughs, pay reductions, layoffs and other changes meant to stabilize the company’s finances through the pan-

demic, the sources said.

BuzzFeed’s losses, which had surpassed \$50 million for several years, began to narrow last year as the cuts began, the people said.

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Notice is Hereby Given: Linda A. Laceywell, Superintendent of Financial Services of the State of New York ("Superintendent"), has been appointed by an order (the "Order") of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York ("Court"), entered on October 6, 2020, as the liquidator (the "Liquidator") of OneTitle National Guaranty Company, Inc. ("OneTitle") and, as such, has been: (i) directed to take possession of OneTitle's property and liquidate OneTitle's business and affairs in accordance with New York Insurance Law ("Insurance Law") Article 74; and (ii) vested with all powers and authority expressed or implied under Insurance Law Article 74, in addition to the powers and authority set forth in the Order and with title to OneTitle's property, contracts, rights of action, and all of its books and records, wherever located, as of the date of entry of the Order. The Liquidator has, pursuant to Insurance Law Article 74, appointed David Axinn, Special Deputy Superintendent (the "Special Deputy"), as her agent to carry out her duties as Liquidator. The Special Deputy carries out his duties through the New York Liquidation Bureau ("Bureau"), 180 Maiden Lane, New York, New York 10038. The Order provides that: I. The Liquidator is permitted to deal with the property and business of OneTitle in OneTitle's name or in the name of the Liquidator; II. All persons and entities are permanently enjoined and restrained from wasting the assets of OneTitle, and all persons are permanently enjoined and restrained, except as authorized by the Liquidator, from transacting OneTitle's business or disposing of OneTitle's property; III. 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with a copy e-mailed to ReceiverOps@nylb.org. A copy of the Order may be viewed at <http://www.nylb.org>. To the extent there are any discrepancies between this notice and the Order, then the language of the Order controls.

LINDA A. LACEWELL, Superintendent of Financial Services of the State of New York as Liquidator of OneTitle National Guaranty Company, Inc.
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OBJ out for season with torn ACL

By TOM WITHERS

CLEVELAND — Odell Beckham Jr. was in a much better place emotionally and physically. This was going to be the season he changed minds.

He was determined to make 2020 — and its many obstacles — a special year, re-establish himself as one of the NFL's best players and lead the Browns back to the playoffs, along with best friend and teammate Jarvis Landry.

Beckham won't get the chance.

The star receiver's second season with Cleveland ended Monday after an MRI exam confirmed he sustained a torn left knee ligament in the opening minutes of Sunday's 37-34 win over the Bengals.

Beckham's injury is a devastating personal blow and a potentially major setback to the Browns, who are off to their best start since 1994 and eyeing their first postseason appearance in 18 years.

The three-time Pro Bowler got hurt when his left leg buckled while he was trying to make a tackle, after Baker Mayfield's first pass was intercepted by Bengals cornerback Darius Phillips.

An MRI taken Monday in Cleveland confirmed the diagnosis of the torn ACL, an injury that typically requires nine months to one year of recovery time. The team said Beckham will be placed on injured reserve but did not have a timetable on when he will have surgery.

— AP

LeBron may sit early on if season starts in Dec.

By MARC BERMAN

Danny Green, a member of the Lakers championship team, believes LeBron James will decline to play the start of the season if the NBA goes ahead with discussions regarding a Dec. 22 season opener.

The Lakers conquered Miami for the NBA title in a six-game series in the Orlando bubble on Oct. 12.

"Dec. 22 is not on my mind," Green said on The Ringer's basketball podcast. "I think most guys, if you say they're starting in December, I think they're like, 'I'm not going to be there.' Because we have a lot of vets on our team. It's not like we have young guys and rookies. We have three or four young guys and rookies, if we're fortunate to bring the same team back."

James won his fourth title in his 10th NBA Finals appearance at age 35.

"Bron's been in the Finals 10 years out of his 17 years, which is unbelievable mentally," said Green, who hails from Long Island. "It's draining to do that. To have that quick a restart, I wouldn't expect to see him there. I wouldn't expect to see him probably the first month of the season. He'd probably work out with us, but I don't expect guys to want to be there or show up willingly."

Commissioner Adam Silver had said earlier this month he expected the season opener in January at the earliest. However, at last week's Board of Governors meeting, serious talks centered on a Dec. 22 start to the 2020-21 campaign.

Green said he realizes some other teams who haven't played in a while would want to play sooner than later, but not the Lakers.

"It's a possibility because the league really wants those Christmas games," Green said. "But in my mind it's highly unlikely."

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE					
East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF PA
Buffalo	5	2	0	.714	174 178
Miami	3	3	0	.500	160 113
New England	2	4	0	.333	115 143
Jets	0	7	0	.000	85 203

South	W	L	T	Pct.	PF PA
Tennessee	5	1	0	.833	188 153
Indianapolis	4	2	0	.666	157 115
Houston	1	6	0	.142	166 217
Jacksonville	1	6	0	.142	154 220

North	W	L	T	Pct.	PF PA
Pittsburgh	6	0	0	1.000	183 118
Baltimore	5	1	0	.833	179 104
Cleveland	5	2	0	.714	200 221
Cincinnati	1	5	1	.214	163 194

West	W	L	T	Pct.	PF PA
Kansas City	6	1	0	.857	218 143
Las Vegas	3	3	0	.500	171 197
Denver	2	4	0	.333	116 153
L.A. Chargers	2	4	0	.333	149 154

NATIONAL CONFERENCE					
East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF PA
Philadelphia	2	4	1	.357	163 196
Dallas	2	5	0	.285	176 243
Washington	2	5	0	.285	133 165
Giants	1	6	0	.142	122 174

South	W	L	T	Pct.	PF PA
Tampa Bay	5	2	0	.714	222 142
New Orleans	4	2	0	.666	180 174
Carolina	3	4	0	.428	162 168
Atlanta	1	6	0	.142	184 207

North	W	L	T	Pct.	PF PA
Green Bay	5	1	0	.833	197 159
Chicago	5	2	0	.714	138 140
Detroit	3	3	0	.500	156 165
Minnesota	1	5	0	.166	155 192

West	W	L	T	Pct.	PF PA
Seattle	5	1	0	.833	203 172
Arizona	5	2	0	.714	203 146
L.A. Rams	5	2	0	.714	176 124
San Francisco	4	3	0	.571	181 136

Thursday- Week 7
Philadelphia 22, **Giants** 21

Sunday
Buffalo 18, **Jets** 10
Pittsburgh 27, Tennessee 24
Green Bay 35, Houston 20
Cleveland 37, Cincinnati 34
New Orleans 27, Carolina 24
Detroit 23, Atlanta 22
Washington 25, Dallas 3
Tampa Bay 45, Las Vegas 20
Kansas City 43, Denver 16
San Francisco 33, New England 6
L.A. Chargers 39, Jacksonville 29
Arizona 37, Seattle 34, OT
Bye: Baltimore, Indianapolis, Miami, Minnesota

Monday
L.A. Rams 24, Chicago 10
Thursday- Week 8
Atlanta at Carolina, 8:20pm
Sunday
Jets at Kansas City, 1pm
Tennessee at Cincinnati, 1pm
L.A. Rams at Miami, 1pm
Indianapolis at Detroit, 1pm
New England at Buffalo, 1pm
Las Vegas at Cleveland, 1pm
Pittsburgh at Baltimore, 1pm
Minnesota at Green Bay, 1pm
L.A. Chargers at Denver, 4:05pm
New Orleans at Chicago, 4:25pm
San Francisco at Seattle, 4:25pm
Dallas at Philadelphia, 8:20pm
Bye: Houston, Jacksonville, Arizona, Washington
Monday
Tampa Bay at **Giants**, 8:15pm

Rams 24, Bears 10

Chicago	0	3	0	7	—	10
L.A. Rams	7	3	14	0	—	24

First Quarter
Lar: Reynolds 4 pass from Goff (Sloman kick), 3:57.

Second Quarter
Chi: FG Santos 42, 14:13.
Lar: FG Sloman 22, 4:55.

Third Quarter
Lar: Brown 1 run (Sloman kick), 8:06.
Lar: Everett 12 pass from Goff (Sloman kick), 1:34.

Fourth Quarter
Chi: E.Jackson 8 fumble return (Santos kick), 7:30.
A: 0.

	Chi	LAR
First downs	14	24
Total Net Yards	279	372
Rushes-yards	17-49	33-165
Passing	230	207
Punt Returns	0-0	2-14
Kickoff Returns	4-94	2-41
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	2-2
Comp-Att-Int	28-40-2	23-33-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-31	2-12
Punts	5-47.6	5-44.2
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	6-46	4-46
Time of Possession	27:25	32:35

Individual Statistics
Rushing: Chicago, Montgomery 14-48, Patterson 3-1. L.A. Rams, Henderson 15-64, Brown 10-57, Woods 4-23, Kupp 1-16, Goff 3-5.
Passing: Chicago, Foles 28-40-2-261. L.A. Rams, Goff 23-33-0-219.
Receiving: Chicago, Graham 5-31, Montgomery 5-21, Robinson 4-70, Mooney 3-40, Miller 3-20, Patterson 3-11, Kmet 2-45, Harris 2-15, Wims 1-8. L.A. Rams, Kupp 6-43, Reynolds 4-52, Everett 4-28, Mundt 3-47, Woods 3-22, Henderson 2-13, Jefferson 1-14.
Missed Field Goals: L.A. Rams, Sloman 48.

Transactions

FOOTBALL

National Football League
Atlanta Falcons: Activated DT Marlon Davidson from the reserve/COVID-19 list.
Cleveland Browns: Signed T Alex Taylor to the practice squad.
Green Bay Packers: Released G Ben Braden. Placed LB James Burgess on the active roster from the exempt/commissioner permission list.
Houston Texans: Activated DT Eli Ankou and RB C.J. Prosise from the exempt/commissioner permission list. Released RB C.J. Prosise.
Minnesota Vikings: Signed CB Mark Fields II to the active roster. Claimed CB Chris Jones from waivers. Designated LB Troy Dye and G Pat Elflein to return from injured reserve.
Philadelphia Eagles: Designated WR Jalen Reagor, LT Jason Peters, LB T.J. Edwards and S Rudy to return from injured reserve.
San Francisco 49ers: Waived DL Alex Barrett and CB Parnell Motley.
Tennessee Titans: Waived LB Will Compton.
Washington Football Team: Released DE Gerri Green, LB Donald Payne and DB Manny Patterson from the practice squad.

World Series

(Best-of-7) x- if necessary:
At Arlington, Texas; All Games on FOX and ESPN Radio (98.7 FM)
Tampa Bay Rays vs. LA Dodgers
Los Angeles leads series, 3-2.
Game 1: Dodgers 8, Rays 3
Game 2: Rays 6, Dodgers 4
Game 3: Dodgers 6, Rays 2
Game 4: Rays 8, Dodgers 7
Game 5: Dodgers 4, Rays 2
Tue.: Rays vs. Dodgers, 8:08pm
x-Wed.: Rays vs. Dodgers 8:09pm

NFC Individual Leaders

Week 7 Before Monday's Game

Quarterbacks

	Att	Com	Yds	TD	Int
Ryan, Atl	286	190	2181	12	3
Bridgewater, Car	234	169	1930	8	5
Brady, TB	268	176	1910	18	4
Wilson, Sea	219	156	1890	22	6
Prescott, Dal	222	151	1856	9	4
K.Murray, Ari	253	169	1847	13	7
Wentz, Phi	278	163	1760	10	10
Rodgers, GB	208	137	1657	17	2
Brees, NO	212	154	1618	11	3
Stafford, Det	204	127	1580	10	4

Rushers

	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
Drake, Ari	119	512	4.3	69t	4
Jones, TB	110	506	4.6	37	4
Cook, Min	92	489	5.3	39t	7
Gurley, Atl	122	485	4.0	35t	7
Elliott, Dal	113	458	4.1	24	5
K.Murray, Ari	65	437	6.7	48	7
Sanders, Phi	71	434	6.1	74t	3
Jones, GB	75	389	5.2	75t	5
Gibson, Was	84	371	4.4	40	4
Kamara, NO	75	364	4.9	49	4

Receivers

	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
Hopkins, Ari	57	704	12.4	60	3
Anderson, Car	46	640	13.9	75t	1
Ridley, Atl	40	615	15.4	63	6
Cooper, Dal	53	583	11.0	58	2
McLaurin, Was	43	577	13.4	52t	2
Moore, Car	31	567	18.3	74t	3
Lockett, Sea	45	542	12.0	47t	7
Jefferson, Min	28	537	19.2	71t	3
Metcalf, Sea	24	519	21.6	62	5
Lamb, Dal	36	497	13.8	43t	2

Scoring Touchdowns

	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	Pts
Cook, Min	7	7	0	0	42
Gurley, Atl	7	7	0	0	42
Jones, GB	7	5	2	0	42
Kamara, NO	7	4	3	0	42
Lockett, Sea	7	0	7	0	42
K.Murray, Ari	7	7	0	0	42
Thielen, Min	7	0	7	0	42

AFC Individual Leaders

Week 7 Before Monday's Game

Quarterbacks

	Att	Com	Yds	TD	Int
Watson, Hou	239	166	2095	15	5
Burrow, Cin	293	195	2023	9	5
Allen, Buf	259	175	2018	16	4
Mahomes, KC	242	159	1899	16	1
Minshew, Jac	267	176	1855	13	5
Carr, Las	211	152	1726	13	2
Rivers, Ind	198	138	1598	7	6
Tannehill, Ten	203	139	1590	15	2
Herbert, LAC	184	124	1542	12	3
Fitzpatrick, Mia	197	138	1535	10	7

Rushers

	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
Henry, Ten	143	663	4.6	94t	7
Edwards-Helaire, KC	115	551	4.8	31	2
J.Robinson, Jac	107	481	4.5	39	4
Hunt, Cle	101	463	4.6	33	3
Conner, Pit	95	451	4.7	59	4
Mixon, Cin	119	428	3.6	34t	3
Jacobs, Las	116	394	3.4	16	5
Da.Johnson, Hou	101	392	3.9	29	3
Taylor, Ind	89	367	4.1	21	3
Gordon, Den	82	349	4.3	43t	4

Receivers

	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
Diggs, Buf	48	603	12.6	49	3
Boyd, Cin	48	517	10.8	25	2
Kelce, KC	40	501	12.5	45	5
Fuller, Hou	31	490	15.8	53t	5
Allen, LAC	44	481	10.9	28	2
Beasley, Buf	39	470	12.1	29	2
Hill, KC	31	439	14.2	54t	5
Cooks, Hou	34	427	12.6	38	2
Higgins, Cin	27	410	15.2	67	2
Crowder, NYJ	29	383	13.2	69t	2

Scoring Touchdowns

	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	Pts
Henry, Ten	7	7	0	0	42
Hunt, Cle	7	3	4	0	42
Claypool, Pit	6	2	4	0	36
Hill, KC	6	1	5	0	36
J.Robinson, Jac	6	4	2	0	36
7 tied	5	0	5	0	30

MLS

EAST	W	L	D	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	12	3	5	41	39	17
Toronto FC	12	3	5	41	30	22
Columbus	10	4	5	35	31	16
Orlando City	8	3	8	32	31	20

NYCFC	9	8	3	30	27	20
New England	7	5	8	29	22	19

Red Bulls	7	8	5	26	24	25
Nashville SC	6	6	7	25	19	18
Montreal	7	11	2	23	30	39

Chicago	5	8	6	21	26	30
Inter Miami CF	6	11	3	21	21	30
Atlanta	5	11	4	19	19	24
D.C. United	4	10	6	18	19	34

WEST	W	L	D	Pts	GF	GA
Sporting K.C.	10	6	3	33	35	25
Seattle FC	9	4	5	32	36	18
Portland	9	5	5	32	39	31

Los Angeles FC	8	7	4	28	42	34
Minn. United	7	5	6	27	29	23
FC Dallas	6	5	7	25	22	20
Vancouver	8	12	0	24	24	41

San Jose	6	8	6	24	29	45
Real Salt Lake	5	7	7	22	24	29
Houston	4	7	9	21	28	33
Colorado	5	5	4	19	25	24

LA Galaxy	5	10	3	18	22	36
Notes:	3 pts. for win, 1 for tie					
Tuesday						
Nashville at Montreal, 7pm						
Seattle FC at Vancouver, 10pm						
Wednesday						
New England at Red Bulls, 7pm						
NYCFC at Toronto FC, 7:30pm						
Sporting K.C. at Cincinnati, 7:30pm						
Atlanta at Orlando City, 7:30pm						
Chicago at Philadelphia, 7:30pm						
Columbus at D.C. United, 8pm						
Colorado at Minnesota, 8pm						
Miami at FC Dallas, 8:30pm						
LA Galaxy at Portland, 10pm						
Houston at Los Angeles FC, 10:30pm						
Salt Lake at San Jose, 10:30pm						

Saturday						
Houston at FC Dallas, 3:30pm						
Chicago at Nashville, 8:30pm						
Soccer						
English Premier League						
Brighton 1, West Brom 1						
Burnley vs. Tottenham, (n)						
German Bundesliga						
Bayer Leverkusen 3, FC Augsburg 1						
Italian Serie A						
AC Milan vs. AS Roma, (n)						
Spanish Primera Division						
Levante vs. Celta Vigo, (n)						

Soccer

English Premier League
Brighton 1, West Brom 1
Burnley vs. Tottenham, (n)
German Bundesliga
Bayer Leverkusen 3, FC Augsburg 1
Italian Serie A
AC Milan vs. AS Roma, (n)
Spanish Primera Division
Levante vs. Celta Vigo, (n)

Tennis

The POST Line



NFL Week 8		
Thursday		
Favorite	PTS (O/U)	Underdog
PANTHERS	2.5 (48.5)	Falcons
Sunday		
CHIEFS	20 (48.5)	Jets
Titans	5.5 (54.5)	BENGALS
Rams	3.5 (49)	DOLPHINS
Colts	2.5 (50.5)	LIONS
BILLS	3.5 (44.5)	Patriots
BROWNS	2.5 (54)	Raiders
RAVENS	3.5 (47.5)	Steelers
PACKERS	6.5 (54.5)	Vikings
Chargers	3 (45.5)	BRONCOS
Saints	3 (47)	BEARS
SEAHAWKS	3.5 (53.5)	49ers
EAGLES	3.5 (43.5)	Cowboys
Monday		
Buccaneers	10.5 (46.5)	GIANTS
Home team in CAPS		

World Series		
Tuesday- Game 6		
Favorite	Moneyline	Underdog
DODGERS	\$125-139	Rays
Designated home team in MLB in CAPS		

WORLD SERIES			
Game 6: Rays vs. Dodgers, Tuesday			
SPREAD BETTING	ODDS	SCORE FIRST RUN	ODDS
Rays +1.5 runs	-167	Rays	-143
Dodgers -1.5 runs	140	Dodgers	+110
TOTAL	ODDS	FIRST 5 INN. SPREAD	ODDS
Over 8 runs	-115	Rays +0.5 runs	-134
Under 8 runs	-106	Dodgers -0.5 runs	+105
WINNING MARGIN	ODDS	FIRST 5 INN. TOTAL	ODDS
Rays by 1	13/2	Over 3.5 runs	-176
Dodgers by 1	+375	Under 3.5 runs	+135
Rays by 2	17/2	SCORE IN 1ST INN.?	ODDS
Dodgers by 2	17/2	Yes	Even
Rays by 3	11/1	No	-129
Dodgers by 3	11/1	BLAKE SNELL K'S	ODDS
Rays by 4+	+425	Over 5.5	-154
Dodgers by 4+	+310	Under 5.5	+115

College Football		
Thursday		
Favorite	Current (O/U)	Underdog
GEORGIA SO.	5.5 (49.5)	So. Alabama
Colorado St.	1.5 (57.5)	FRESNO ST.
Friday		
Marshall	23 (48.5)	FLA. INT'L
SO. ILLINOIS	10.5 (54.5)	SE Mo. St.
Minnesota	20.5 (60.5)	MARYLAND
TULSA	17.5 (59.5)	E. Carolina
Hawaii	2.5 (57.5)	WYOMING
Saturday		
MICHIGAN	25.5 (53.5)	Michigan St.
Wake Forest	10.5 (58.5)	SYRACUSE
W. VIRGINIA	3.5 (50.5)	Kansas St.
CLEMSON	31.5 (59.5)	Boston Coll.
Co. Carolina	3.5 (64.5)	GEORGIA ST.
CINCINNATI	6.5 (60.5)	Memphis
Purdue	6.5 (56.5)	ILLINOIS
TULANE	5.5 (61)	Temple
Iowa St.	28.5 (55.5)	KANSAS
Georgia	15.5 (44.5)	KENTUCKY
No. Texas	4.5 (63.5)	UTEP
C. Florida	3 (78.5)	HOUSTON
SO. MISS.	2.5 (59.5)	Rice
ARKANSAS ST.	3 (70.5)	Troy
Notre Dame	19.5 (56.5)	GA. TECH
Indiana	12 (53.5)	RUTGERS
IOWA	3.5 (47.5)	Northwestern
Wisconsin	11 (58)	NEBRASKA
Tcu	3 (50.5)	BAYLOR
Lsu	2.5 (62.5)	AUBURN
Uab	10.5 (47.5)	LA. TECH
Va. Tech	3 (63.5)	LOUISVILLE
OKLA. ST.	3.5 (57.5)	Texas
Mississippi	17.5 (64.5)	VANDEBILT
App. St.	31.5 (53.5)	UL-MONROE
Boise St.	14.5 (53.5)	AIR FORCE
DUKE	11.5 (55.5)	Charlotte
ALABAMA	31.5 (62.5)	Miss. St.
Ohio St.	13.5 (61.5)	PENN ST.
SMU	14.5 (58.5)	Navy
TEXAS A&M	10.5 (56.5)	Arkansas
FLORIDA	13 (63.5)	Missouri
N. Carolina	6.5 (59.5)	VIRGINIA
Oklahoma	14.5 (65.5)	TEXAS TECH
FLORIDA ATL.	6.5 (48.5)	UTSA
San Diego St.	7.5 (46.5)	UTAH ST.
BYU	29.5 (53.5)	W. Kentucky
San Jose St.	9.5 (58.5)	NEW MEXICO
Nevada	14.5 (59.5)	UNLV
La. Laf.	15.5 (56.5)	TEXAS ST.

VSIN TOP PLAY

Blake, 'pen won't let sun go down on Rays

By GREG PETERSON

We've seen this before; after Clayton Kershaw wins a World Series start for the Dodgers, the Rays counter the next game with former Cy Young Award winner Blake Snell. Only this time, it's survive-or-die for the Rays. Snell has not gone six full innings in a start this calendar year, but in Game 2 of this series he helped the Rays get a victory as he gave up two runs in 4²/₃ innings and struck out nine. Snell has a weakness to the long ball. He has given up five home runs in his last 24¹/₃ innings and must face a Dodgers lineup that has belted multiple home runs in a postseason-record eight straight games. The Rays have been able to generate eight home runs in five games and face Dodgers starter Tony Gonsolin, who in the playoffs has not been the



same guy he was in the regular season. After posting a 2-1 record with a 1.94 ERA in the eight regular-season starts, he has given up three home runs and posted a 9.39 ERA in three postseason appearances. Gonsolin has also walked seven in 7²/₃ innings in the playoffs, the same amount he had in 46²/₃ innings during the regular season. The Dodgers' bullpen likely will have to get many outs in this game, and with the bullpen ERA of 5.48 in this series, it has been far from trustworthy. It will be all hands on deck for a Rays bullpen that has posted a 3.62 ERA this postseason and should get enough help from Snell to force a Game 7. **THE PLAY:** Rays to win Game 6, +125. Greg Peterson writes for VSIN.com, The Sports Betting Network. Track real-time line movements at VSIN.com/odds.

Pitching Form										
WS Gm. 6		Game time	2020		*REC	'20 vs OPP		CAREER	LAST 3 STARTS	
			W-L	ERA		W-L	ERA	vs OPP	W-L	IP ERA
Rays	Snell (L)		4-2	3.24	7-4	0-0	0.00	0-0	1-1	13.2 3.29
Dodgers	Gonsolin (R)	8:08pm	2-2	2.31	5-3	0-0	0.00	0-0	1-2	11.2 7.71
* REC: Won-lost record of pitcher's team in games he has started.										

STITCHES

Snell that? It's Game 7!

I was wrong. No, not wrong for taking this job. Wrong about the Rays not being as good as the Braves. Figured the Dodgers would dispatch Tampa Bay in five, but not only have the Rays been competitive, they should prove to be a tough out with their backs to the wall in Game 6. It's a must-win game for Tampa and who better than Blake Snell to extend the season. Snell's numbers this postseason are deceptively flat. He's 2-2, 3.33 ERA but was sharp in Game 2. Cruised through the first four frames but was removed in the fifth after two runs scored. LA has two chances to close the series. Tony Gonsolin (0-2, 9.39 ERA) started Game 2. Recorded

only four outs (by design?) and was done after serving up a home run in the loss. Gonsolin has 9 Ks this postseason. Snell had 9 Ks in Game 2 alone. Is manager Dave Roberts going to use a parade of pitchers behind Gonsolin again? If the Dodgers are in position to go for the kill, sure. If not, he may opt to rest his stable of thoroughbreds for Game 7. Our series bet on the Dodgers can wait. 40 units on the Rays. I'm Stitches and I approve this pick. **-\$** Da Bears offense never left their state of hibernation Monday night. Lost 24-10 to the Rams but it wasn't that close. Loss takes us to -798 nagurskis. stitches@nypost.com

Jets upset could be lotto ticket

By DAVE BLEZOW

The focus thus far for Sunday's game between the Jets and Chiefs at Arrowhead Stadium has been the massive point spread, which has Gang Green 20-point underdogs on BetMGM's New Jersey betting app. But the more interesting number for this expected mismatch of the season is the moneyline. BetMGM lists the

0-7 Jets as a +1300 underdog, with the 6-1 Chiefs at -3334. What this means is a Jets bettor would risk \$100 to profit \$1,300 (or anything in that proportion) on a shocking Jets outright victory, while a Chiefs backer must risk \$3,334 to win a profit of \$100 (or anything in that proportion) on a Kansas City win. "Unless inclement weather arrives at Arrowhead on Sunday I believe the line will

stay above 20 points," Jason Scott, VP of Trading at BetMGM, told The Post in an email. "The Jets offense is averaging less than one TD per game and there's no reason to think they will improve against KC. "I suspect that at one stage in this game KC will lead by more than 20 points and the Jets' opportunity will be a back-door cover with a touchdown in junk time."

Home Team Lineups HOME AWAY							
	TODAY Oct. 27	WED Oct. 28	THU Oct. 29	FRI Oct. 30	SAT Oct. 31	SUN Nov. 1	MON Nov. 2
	NO GAME	N.E. 7:00 MSG	NO GAME	NO GAME	NO GAME	NYCFC 7:00 MSG	NO GAME
	NO GAME	Tor. 7:30 YES	NO GAME	NO GAME	NO GAME	NYRB 7:00 YES	NO GAME
Monday				Sunday			
	Tampa Bay 8:15 TV - PIX11, ESPN Radio- WFAN 660 AM/ 101.9 FM			Kansas City 1:00 TV - CBS Radio- ESPN 98.7 FM			

Today's Sports on the Air		
MLB	8 p.m.	World Series: Rays vs. Dodgers, Game 6 FOX, ESPN (98.7 FM)
Football	8 p.m.	The Spring League: Conquerors vs. Generals FS1
Golf	3 p.m.	East Lake Cup: 2nd Round GOLF
Tennis	2:30 p.m.	Vienna-ATP, Kazakhstan-ATP: Men's Early Rds. TENNIS
Soccer	1:55 p.m.	UEFA Champions League: Inter Milan at Shakhtar Donetsk UniMas
	4 p.m.	UEFA Champions League: Real Madrid at Borussia Monchengladbach UniMas
	7 p.m.	NCAA: Clemson at North Carolina ACCN

SPORTS SHORTS

COVID: LA teams winning helping virus spike

The success of the Lakers and Dodgers are bringing fans together in the LA area and that may be helping drive an uptick in coronavirus cases, Los Angeles County's top health official said. The Lakers won the NBA championship two weeks ago and the Dodgers are one game away from winning the World Series. Their run through the playoffs has prompted watch parties and celebrations.

NFL: Rams dominate Bears on MNF

Aaron Donald and the Rams' suffocating defense intercepted Bears quarterback Nick Foles twice and Jared Goff tossed two touchdowns for LA in a convincing 24-10 win over Chicago in Los Angeles. The Bears consistently started deep in their own zone as Rams punter Johnny Helker got all five of his punts, including a 63-yarder in the second half, inside the 20-yard line. ● Quarterback Andy Dalton is in the NFL concussion protocol for the first time in his career, with the Cowboys uncertain Dalton will be available this week. His head injury was the result of a direct shot from Washington line-backer Jon Bostic while sliding feet first Sunday. ● Carolina running back Christian McCaffrey is questionable for Thursday's game against the Falcons, but NFL Network reported the Panthers are planning to err on the side of caution.

● Broncos defensive lineman Mike Purcell is out for the season after suffering a Lisfranc injury in his foot that will require surgery. Running back Phillip Lindsay is in the concussion protocol.

ETC.: ESPN calls off college hoops bubble

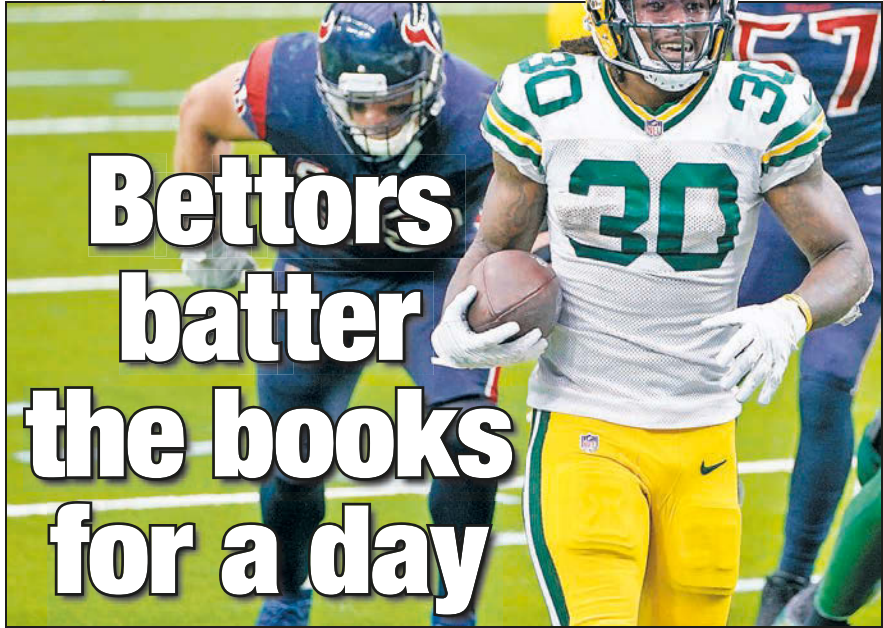
ESPN won't hold college basketball tournaments in a Florida bubble next month. ESPN Events lists 10 college basketball tournaments and doubleheaders on its website originally scheduled for the upcoming season, including the Champions Classic that annually features Duke, Kansas, Kentucky and Michigan State as well as the Preseason NIT, the Jimmy V Classic and the Orlando Invitational. ● The NASCAR Cup Series playoff race in Fort Worth, Texas was pushed back yet another day — until Tuesday — because of misty and cool conditions.

ODDS & ENDS

UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE	
(Tuesday's matches)	
Bayern Munich at Lokomotiv Moscow	
3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Bayern Munich	-770
Draw	+00
Lokomotiv Moscow	+1800
Inter Milan at Shakhtar Donetsk	
3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Inter Milan	-125
Draw	+290
Shakhtar Donetsk	+320
Red Bull Salzburg at Atletico Madrid	
3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Red Bull Salzburg	+425
Draw	+320
Atletico Madrid	-167
Real Madrid at Borussia Mönchengladbach	
3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Real Madrid	-112
Draw	+300
Bor. Mönchengladbach	+270
Olympiacos Piraeus at FC Porto	
3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Olympiacos Piraeus	+475
Draw	+290
FC Porto	-162
Manchester City at Olympique de Marseille	
3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Manchester City	-278
Draw	+425
Olympique de Marseilles	+700
Ajax Amsterdam at Atalanta	
3-WAY BETTING	ODDS
Ajax Amsterdam	+300
Draw	+320
Atalanta	-129
FC Midtjylland at Liverpool	
DRAW	ODDS
FC Midtjylland	+1900
Draw	+835
Liverpool	-834
Top goalscorer in 2020-21 tournament	
PLAYER	ODDS
Robert Lewandowski	7/2
Cristiano Ronaldo	6/1
Kylian Mbappé	6/1
Lionel Messi	7/1
Erling Haaland	7/1
Mohamed Salah	9/1
Sergio Agüero	14/1
Neymar	14/1
Romelu Lukaku	14/1
Sadio Mané	18/1
Serge Gnabry	20/1
Raheem Sterling	22/1

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BET SMART



Bettors
batter
the books
for a day

RUNNIN' WITH THE PACK: Jamaal Williams scores a touchdown in Green Bay's 35-20 victory at Houston on Sunday. Public bettors found success with the favored Packers, Steelers, Chargers, Chiefs and Buccaneers.

AP

By BEN FAWKES

It was a winning weekend for bettors, as sportsbooks suffered one of their worst NFL Sundays of the season. The most damaging result of the day at multiple sportsbooks was the Packers beating the Texans, 35-20, as three-point favorites. More than 87 percent of the bets and money were on Green Bay across the market, and BetRivers sportsbooks reported its worst loss of the early games off of the Packers win. Books were helped a bit by the game staying a hair under the closing total of 55.5. “Green Bay was the most popular bet this week by some [margin],” FanDuel sportsbook director John Sheeran said in an email. “The game staying Under was the only respite there.” The Steelers (+1) beating the Titans, 27-24, also was a big loss for multiple books in the early window. More than 70 percent of the bets at BetRivers and SugarHouse sportsbooks were on the Steelers. There were two wild finishes in the early games, with Todd Gurley accidentally scoring a touchdown to put the Falcons (-1.5) up six points (after a successful two-point conversion) on the Lions, only for Matthew Stafford to throw a touchdown pass as time expired and the Lions to win 23-22. The scene was reminiscent of Gurley sliding short of the end zone in 2018 as a member of the Rams to win a game against the Packers by 2 (Rams were 7.5-point favorites). One BetMGM bettor won a \$110,000 bet on the Lions +1 and a \$110,000 bet on the Lions pick ’em. The other crazy finish involved a Baker Mayfield touchdown pass with 11 seconds remaining to put the Browns (-3.5) up 37-34 over the Bengals. Cody Parkey then missed the extra point, which was a mixed result for books.

PointsBet ended up refunding all Browns -3.5 or -4 tickets, while it helped stem William Hill losses “a little.” “We ended up on the wrong end, as we needed the Browns in that one,” Borgata sportsbook director Thomas Gable said. “That last missed extra point was costly for us.” The Jets (+10) getting their first cover of the season in an 18-10 loss to the Bills was the best result of the early window for multiple sportsbooks. More than 90 percent of the bets at BetRivers books and 89 percent at PointsBet were on the Bills, and it was the third-highest bet game of the day at PointsBet. “It’s the first week all season that I can say we made money on a Jets game,” Gable said. “We won the first half, second half and full game.” The Cowboys losing 25-3 to the Washington Football Team as 1-point underdogs was another good result for sportsbooks Nearly 80 percent of bets at FanDuel and William Hill sportsbooks were on Dallas. The Cowboys are now 0-7 ATS, the first team since the 2006 Dolphins to achieve that distinction. The 49ers dismantled the Patriots 33-6 as 3-point underdogs, in the best game of the afternoon for sportsbooks, although one bettor at the Borgata in Atlantic City won a \$200,000 wager on the 49ers +3.5 in the second half, and a \$105,000 bet on the second half Under. The other late-afternoon games were a bettors’ paradise. The Chargers (-7.5), Chiefs (-7) and Buccaneers (-4) all covered the spread, and all three games went over the total. Teasers, straight bets and moneyline parlays all cashed, along with anything tied to those Overs. Ben Fawkes writes for VSiN.com, The Sports Betting Network.

CLIMBING THE CHARTS

By MATT YOUMANS

LAS VEGAS — In early March, a couple of weeks before the sports world was turned upside down, Tom Brady was set to announce a big decision. At that time, there was no buzz about the Buccaneers.

Sportsbooks still were open for business, and a bettor showed up at the South Point to wager \$10,000 on the Buccaneers to win the Super Bowl at 60/1 odds. Most amateur psychics and NFL insiders were predicting Brady would either stay with New England or head west to sign with the Chargers or Raiders.

Someone knew something, or maybe it was just a lucky bet on a long shot, but the 43-year-old quarterback surprised the masses by signing with Tampa Bay. Even more surprising might be the reality the Buccaneers are now serious Super Bowl contenders.

“Brady is going to win a lot of games,” South Point oddsmaker Jimmy Vaccaro said Monday. “I would say right now Tampa Bay and Pittsburgh are the best teams in the league.”

Vaccaro added Baltimore and Kansas City to the debate, but the point is that Tampa Bay suddenly looks like the team to beat in the NFC, and Super Bowl futures boards have been adjusted accordingly. At BetMGM in New Jersey, the Buccaneers are the +325 favorites to win the conference title, ahead of the Packers (4/1) and Seahawks (9/2).

In the Super Bowl futures market at BetMGM, the Buccaneers are the third choice at 15/2, behind the Chiefs (4/1) and Ravens (6/1) and ahead of the Packers and Steelers (both 9/1).

As recently as Oct. 8, Brady was getting ripped by critics after a ragged performance in a 20-19 loss at



Brady has made Bucs (once 60/1) NFC favorites & Super Bowl threat

JUST LIKE OLD TIMES: Tom Brady and Rob Gronkowski celebrate a touchdown against the Raiders on Sunday. Tampa Bay is a Super Bowl threat, while their old team, the Patriots, has stumbled to a 2-4 record. Getty Images

Chicago. He threw a game-ending incomplection before holding up four fingers, apparently unaware that fourth down had just passed. It was a sign of old age, right?

But in blowout victories over the Packers and Raiders the past two weeks, Brady passed for a total of six touchdowns with no interceptions. He also influenced the Buccaneers into signing troubled-but-talented wide receiver Antonio Brown, who soon will make coach Bruce Arians' offense even more powerful. To complete the puzzle, Tampa Bay ranks No. 1 in rushing defense and eighth in scoring defense.

“The Buccaneers have made a big statement, there's no question about it,” said Vinny Magliulo, Gaughan Gaming sportsbook director and VSIN oddsmaker. “Right now, to me in the NFC, it's between Tampa Bay and Seattle.”

Brady's next stop is New York. BetMGM opened the Buccaneers (5-2) as 10-point favorites over the Giants on Monday night.

When the most dynamic coach-quarterback duo in NFL history broke up in March, a media-driven competition was born between Patriots coach Bill Belichick and Brady. Who would fare better, or worse, without the other? At the

end of Week 7, we have the answer.

New England is getting the worst of the split with Brady. The Patriots were pounded, 33-6, by the 49ers on Sunday in the most lopsided home loss of the Belichick era. Belichick's defense was shredded for 467 yards, and quarterback Cam Newton was benched in the second half after throwing three interceptions.

Betting on Belichick after a loss is no longer a reliable handicapping angle. The Patriots (2-4) have lost three consecutive games for the first time since 2002. New England closed as a 3-point favorite over San Francisco, but the Patriots were knocked out early.

“There were a lot of sharps on the Patriots,” Magliulo said.

For bettors who like to buy on bad news, the Patriots will be a tempting play as 3½-point 'dogs at Buffalo in Week 8. The public will likely look the other way, though the Bills did not exactly set the world on fire Sunday in an 18-10 victory over the Jets.

“The Patriots' numbers are trending in the wrong direction in almost every statistical category,” said Michael Lombardi, a VSIN analyst and former NFL executive. “It was 33-6, and it looked worse. Can they get it turned around? Bill's got his work cut out for him. The quarterback ... I don't know what happened to him from the Seattle game to now.”

Newton was sensational in a 35-30 loss at Seattle in Week 2 while passing for 397 yards, rushing for 47 yards and accounting for three touchdowns. There have been no Superman poses from Newton lately. He has two touchdown passes and seven interceptions on the season, and he was briefly sidelined after a positive COVID-19 test.

For those scoring at home, Brady has 18 touchdown passes and four interceptions.

Before the season, Tampa Bay's regular-season win total was posted at 9½ (Over -120) at the South Point, where New England's win total was 9 (Under -140).

A majority of sharp bettors strategically planned to fade Brady and the Buccaneers, who drew support from the public. Chalk this one up as a win for the public.

“The Patriots' power rating continues to plummet,” Magliulo said. “Those people who said Belichick was as good as he was because of Brady are starting to look prophetic.”

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RACK 1

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RACK 2

E₁ E₁ E₁ D₂ D₂ W₄ B₃

Double Word Score

RACK 3

I₁ U₁ Y₄ N₁ L₁ F₄ T₁

3rd Letter Triple

RACK 4

PAR SCORE 200-210
BEST SCORE 269

FOUR RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

TODAY'S ANSWER

60 60 78 71 269
RACK 1 = RACK 2 = RACK 3 = RACK 4 = TOTAL
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O₁ R₁ E₁ L₁
H₄ A₁ B₃ T₁
S₁ N₁ D₂ I₁
R₁ I₁ E₁ F₄
A₁ R₁ E₁ N₁
E₁ U₁ W₄ U₁
PAR SCORE 200-210

Directions: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7 Letter words get 50 point bonus. "Blank" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official SCRABBLE players Dictionary, 4th Edition.

Bridge

North dealer
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH
♠ K 5
♥ K J 10 9
♦ Q J 8 7 5 3
♣ Q

WEST
♠ 7 4 2
♥ 8 6 4
♦ K 9 6 4 2
♣ 6 3

EAST
♠ Q J 10 3
♥ A Q 7 5 2
♦ 10
♣ K 4 2

SOUTH
♠ A 9 8 6
♥ 3
♦ A
♣ A J 10 9 8 7 5

North 1 ♦ East 1 ♥ South 2 ♣ West Pass
2 ♦ Pass 2 ♠ Pass
2 NT Pass 5 ♣ All Pass

Opening lead — ♥ 4

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"There is no 'i' in 'team,' but there are five in 'individual brilliancy.'" -- Cy the Cynic.

Cy is a chameleon. On one deal, he will hand declarer a contract on a platter. On the next, he will find a sterling defense. Cy was today's East, and against five clubs, West led a heart in deference to Cy's overall: nine, queen, three. South had shown long clubs and a spade suit. How should Cy defend?

The Cynic correctly placed South with a singleton heart. Cy had a sure trump trick, and if West had a diamond trick, Cy had no worries. Otherwise, his best chance was to stop South from ruffing spades in dummy.

But if Cy led a low trump, South could win with dummy's queen, lead the king of hearts to ruff out the Cynic's ace, cash the ace of trumps, concede a trump and claim.

At Trick Two, Cy produced a brilliancy: He led the king of trumps! He lost his trump trick but got two tricks back. Since South lacked the entries to use dummy's hearts, he lost two spades. Well done, Cy.

Word Force

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Quick Crossword

Across

- Analyze grammatically
- Comic Silverman
- Atlanta-to-Miami dir.
- At full speed
- Actress De La Garza
- "Buffy" ailer after The WB
- Breakfast dish that sounds spoiled?
- Part of LGBTQ
- Ashtabula's lake
- Fruity drinks
- Master, in Swahili
- Earthquakes
- Cold one at a bar
- Snack cake brand named for a four-year-old
- Split up
- Aired again
- Immigrants' subj.
- Gunk
- Helen who sang "I Am Woman"
- In good health
- Post-apartheid ruling party: Abbr.
- With "en," hot, in sports slang
- Spoils, with "on"
- Two-level bus
- center: exact middle
- Unaffiliated film studios
- Artist's flat hat
- Poker Flat chronicler Harte
- dieu: kneeler
- Antipollution org.
- Postpone an article's essential points ... and a hint to 17-, 27- and 44-Across
- Ready-fire link
- Correct, as text
- Like Olympic pools
- Victor: record label
- Broad valleys
- Mike who voiced Shrek

Down

- Treasure map word
- Love, in Rome
- Pie cuts, geometrically
- Lateral skid
- Big picture?: Abbr.
- Anti-DWI gp.
- On the safer side, at sea
- Cleaning cloths
- Oscar winner Lee
- Washed-up star
- Sucrose-rich root veggie
- Bridge
- Irish New Ager
- Steinbeck's "___ of Eden"
- World Wide ___
- Sch. near Harvard
- Time for cake with candles, informally
- Cornered on a limb
- Flowerpot spot
- MD meeting an ambulance
- "Cast Away" setting
- Building additions
- "Good grief!"
- It's forbidden
- Semifictional film genre
- Felt bad about
- 2006 film about crosswords
- Open-bodied truck
- Animal house
- Buzzing flier
- Friends and neighbors
- "Flashdance...What a Feeling" singer Cara
- Down-yielding duck
- Plants-to-be

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PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER
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- Den denizen
- "Beowulf," e.g.
- Belgian composer Jacques
- Hall of Famer Sandberg
- Approx. takeoff hours
- Actress Thurman
- "Slippery" tree

Adding Brown will take toll on Bucs' other WRs

By DREW LOFTIS

First, Tampa Bay landed Tom Brady this offseason. Shortly thereafter, the Buccaneers lured Brady's favorite tight end, Rob Gronkowski, out of retirement. Later, in came castoff Jaguars RB Leonard Fournette.

So of course they also landed WR Antonio Brown. It all makes sense now. But how is it going to work? With a receiving corps that already includes Mike Evans and Chris Godwin, not to mention Gronkowski?

First, we must try to project how effective Brown will be. Last we saw him for any extended stretch, he led the league in TDs with 15 in the 2018 season, racked up 104 receptions and had 1,297 yards. It was his sixth straight 100-catch, 1,200-yard season.

He has played exactly one game since. He is essentially a season-and-a-half removed from any real action — he was 4-for-56 with a TD on eight targets in his one game with Brady's Patriots last season. Is he the same player now he was in 2018?

We're confident we will find out. The Bucs didn't add him as a complementary piece. They will be eager to see what they have. So targets will be borrowed from elsewhere to determine his capability.

Even if Brown doesn't deliver, it still will hamper the other receivers' production. This is most concerning for Evans. He has exactly two targets in each of the past two games. Four times this season he has gotten four targets or fewer. His floor is already lower than virtually anyone thought possible heading into this season. Now, he has another star to compete with for targets.

We're not as worried about Godwin's workload — he has at least six targets and five catches in every game he has played. We're more worried about his ability to stay on the field. Though, food for thought: Our friend Howard Bender of Fantasy Alarm has more serious concerns about Godwin's position in the future Tampa WR hierarchy. Bender is ready to bail on the entire group.

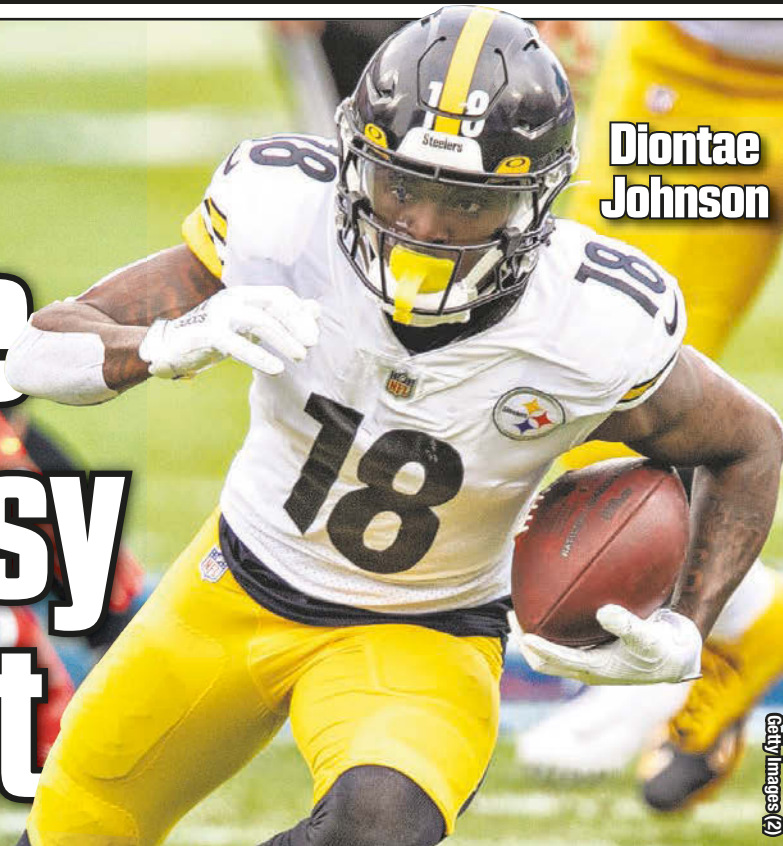
The Madman is on board with trading Evans, most definitely. We already are on the outs with slot man Scotty Miller — who burns us with dud games every time we play him then tries to sucker us back in with a solid game (like Sunday's 6-109-1 outing).

And there is a non-zero chance Brown is still great. Coach Bruce Arians shifted gears from no interest in a "diva" this summer to now being open to Brown's addition. Something changed his mind. And that should worry those who have Bucs receivers on their fantasy rosters. they?



Antonio Brown

Looking to future at fantasy midpoint



Diontae Johnson

Geth Images (2)

SOME words are harder to say than others. There are people who have trouble saying "I love you," and some who struggle with "I'm sorry," and sometimes you have to break bad news, like, telling a Seahawks fan who went to bed after the apparent DK Metcalf game-winning overtime touchdown late Sunday night what happened after.

There is another phrase that can give pause, that can be a challenge for many to say: "I don't know."

As we hit the midway point in many fantasy seasons, the Madman thought it would be a good time to explore what we know and don't know about this season, and what our best guesses are for the future.

Like: Ronald Jones or Leonard Fournette? We've said all along we expect Fournette to emerge as the main workhorse here, but injuries have delayed his ascent. They virtually split carries Sunday, Fournette got two fewer carries but had five more receptions and thoroughly

outplayed RoJo. Our call: Three weeks from now, Fournette will be getting 60-plus percent of backfield touches.

Diontae Johnson or Chase Claypool? Claypool had amassed five TDs in the previous two games. Then here comes Johnson, back from a back injury. Johnson got a team-high 15 targets — which he turned into nine catches for 80 yards and two TDs. Claypool got one catch on one target for minus-2 yards. Bear in mind, Claypool has just two games with more than three touches and only one with more than four targets. Sunday was the third game Johnson received double-digit targets. Treat Claypool as a bye-week filler, but Johnson can be a weekly Flex option.

JaMycal Hasty or Jerick McKinnon? With Raheem Mostert out for multiple weeks and Sunday fantasy hero Jeff Wilson Jr. likely now sidelined with an ankle injury, Hasty got most of the work late — nine carries (57 yards) to McKinnon's three (minus-1). Before you invest heavy in Hasty, note coach Kyle Shanahan's comments that they

planned to rest McKinnon this past week. So he could have a larger role in Week 8. Complicating factor: Tevin Coleman could return this week or next. We'll throw together some DFS lineups including various 49ers RBs, but we don't want to have to use them on our seasonal teams until Mostert returns.

Rashard Higgins or Donovan Peoples-Jones? With Odell Beckham Jr. lost for the season, who will QB Baker Mayfield turn to as a crutch target? Jarvis Landry stands to benefit the most, but Peoples-Jones got the big catch Sunday — though some important notes: Higgins got the targets and yards, and Peoples-Jones has just four targets the entire season. We like the top tight end better than Peoples-Jones in the long run — which likely will be Harrison Bryant this week, before Austin Hooper returns from appendicitis.

Joshua Kelley or Justin Jackson? As soon as one seems to gain an edge, the other gets more work the following week. But neither one is very good. Best course of action: Avoid both.

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FANTASY
INSANITY
By DREW LOFTIS

MAKING SOME ROOM

Marquez Callaway WR, Saints

Says he is "all good" after a late leg injury Sunday, according to NOLA.com. Led the team in targets Sunday, which is significant since there are reports Michael Thomas (hamstring) could miss another game and scuttlebutt of possible trade talk — basically it seems to be turning ugly.

Chase Edmonds RB, Cardinals

When given the chance, he has largely outperformed primary RB Kenyan Drake. Now, Drake likely will be sidelined with an ankle injury. Who's to say he gets his job back?

Edmonds surprisingly is available in 35-40 percent of leagues.

Carlos Hyde RB, Seahawks

If Chris Carson (foot) misses Week 8, Hyde is playable based on volume alone (got 18 touches Sunday), despite a tough matchup vs. the 49ers.

Brandon Aiyuk WR, 49ers

Deebo Samuel is likely to miss time with a new hamstring injury and the 49ers play Seattle's league-worst fantasy pass defense in Week 8.



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CLEARING SOME SPACE

Cam Newton QB, Patriots

This one should be obvious. After initially looking like the Patriots got something approaching prime Cam, it seems clear over the past two weeks they got 2018-19 Cam.

Ezekiel Elliott RB, Cowboys

Injuries at QB and on the O-line have been devastating. He was averaging 22.3 PPR points over the first five games. He has a total of 18.1 in the past two games. If you can get a starter-quality player in

return through trade, close that deal.

Clyde Edwards-Helaire RB, Chiefs

Test trade waters to see if you can find takers, in hopes of unloading him before Le'Veon Bell starts significantly cutting into the workload.

D.J. Chark WR, Jaguars

Three straight games with fewer than 12 PPR points. More alarming, he ranks 147th in the league in yards per target at just 7.1. Put him on the block.

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BAD TIMING: NBA commissioner Adam Silver is hoping to start the season Dec. 22, which would give Tom Thibodeau (inset) and the Knicks little time to get acquainted.



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X-MAS WISH

NBA now hoping to start Dec. 22, but Knicks would be hung out to dry

By MARC BERMAN

Commissioner Adam Silver's new idea of starting the NBA season before Christmas — on Dec. 22 — does no favors to teams like the Knicks who haven't played since March 11, possess a new head coach and plan to have a refurbished roster.

"This is going to favor teams with stable rosters," one NBA source said.

Silver's pivot at last week's Board of Governors meeting was stunning. Silver changed up from recently eyeing either a January, February (after the Super Bowl) or even March 1 commencement.

Silver's about-face is a strong reaction to the horrendous TV ratings for the late-summer restart/October Finals, according to sources.

It's also the clearest admission that stuffing fans inside indoor arenas before the playoffs has become unrealistic considering this month's coronavirus spike.

The change of heart allows the NBA to showcase its league on the year's most important day for its TV partners — Christmas. And it gives Knicks coach Tom Thibodeau little time to get organized as training camps will have to start around Dec. 1.

"It's interesting Silver talked behind the scenes about waiting un-

til a March time frame if it meant getting a vaccine," one NBA insider said. "That's until the finance committee showed him the numbers."

One NBA executive said, "It's a pure cash play for Christmas ratings."

The chances of fans cheering the Knicks on next season under the Garden's famous pinwheel ceiling looks bleaker.

If training camp begins Dec. 1, it would awkwardly bump into free agency, which would start a few days after the Nov. 18 draft. Of their 15-man roster, the Knicks have only seven players guaranteed under contract for next season.

Bobby Portis, Elfrid Payton, Taj Gibson, Wayne Ellington, Theo Pinson and Reggie Bullock either have a team option or non-guaranteed deals that soon have to be enforced — or not — for next season. Damyean Dotson and Mo Harkless are outright free agents. Only Bullock has a strong chance of returning.

The Knicks will have three picks in the draft, including a lottery selection at No. 8. Those rookies will come into camp with no summer-league action and possibly not even more than one preseason game under their belts.

If the Knicks don't bring back any of the team-option/non-guaranteed guys, they will have \$48 million in cap room if the NBA decides to use last year's number of \$109 million because of revenue losses.

Without a legitimate max guy available that the Knicks love other than Anthony Davis, who will re-sign with the Lakers, a slew of Knicks free-agent signees will have little adjustment period if there's just one preseason contest.

Sources indicated clarity on the plan will emerge later this week.

The latest discussion calls for 72 games in home arenas instead of the full-boat 82 — a number obvious in its intent. As The Post reported first last spring, the NBA wanted to play more regular-season games for its Orlando bubble restart to get to the 72-game mark, satisfying contracts for regional networks.

The move backfired. If the league had gone straight to the playoffs, it could have avoided competing against the MLB playoffs during The Finals because The Finals would have been staged in September.

Now Silver's clear aim is to get back to a normal situation quickly

with The Finals in mid-June and the 2021-22 season starting on time.

TV officials told The Post that August ratings are annually 30 percent lower than during normal times.

"The priority is getting back to the October-to-June format for 2021-22," one industry source said. "They found out the hard way not enough people watch TV in the summer. The virus and real-life struggles obscure the reality that sports on TV in the summer don't generate enough viewers."

Some league executives believe a different holiday opener would be more appropriate. That would be Martin Luther King Day on Jan. 18 — as The Post has reported — given the climate of the times.

The NBA already has figured out how to start late and finish on time in June. The league staged 66 games after the 2011 lockout, starting on Christmas, and got to the Finals by late June.

In the spring, Silver and his owners were looking at a Dec. 1 start to the 2020-21 season, but the players association objected on the grounds it was too soon.

That could still be the case if the NBA moves forward on a Christmas plan to inject life into its worrisome TV deal.

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Atkinson to join Lue's staff in LA

By BRIAN LEWIS

Former Nets coach Kenny Atkinson could be back in the NBA — just not as a head coach, and on the other side of the country.

The expectation in league circles is that Atkinson will sign on as an assistant on Tyrone Lue's first Clippers' staff, according to the New York Times.

Miami assistant Dan Craig and Larry Drew have also reportedly committed to Lue, while All-Star guard-turned-TV analyst Chauncey Billups is also in the mix.

Atkinson — a 53-year-old Huntington native — did not comment when reached out to by The Post. But he has a strong player development background and head coaching experience, things Lue is said to value.

"Being able to do multiple things, not just, you know, one thing or focus in on defense and that's all they can do or focus in on offense and that's all they can do," Lue said during last week's introduction.

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"I want to make sure that picking the coaching staff, we have guys that can do multiple things, because I want to build the best staff. I want to be the best coach. I want to see our coaches move on to be head coaches in the future."

When the Nets and Atkinson parted ways in March — just two games before the coronavirus pandemic suspended the season — it was largely because his voice stopped carrying weight in the locker room. The perception was that he hadn't won over stars Kevin Durant and Kyrie Irving.

After helping instill a culture of player development and overseeing a rebuild that brought the Nets from the NBA's most moribund bunch and into the playoffs, Atkinson was expected to land on his feet with a head coaching job. But experienced proven commodities like Lue, Doc Rivers, Billy Donovan, Mike D'Antoni, Nate McMillen and Tom Thibodeau all hit the market.

► **Spencer Dinwiddie** responded to a report that the NBA fell \$1.5 billion short of its revenue projection. The Nets guard — who parted ways with his agent and is expected to represent himself — said in essence that the players bore the brunt of that financial shortfall.

"I could be wrong cuz I'm new to this agent thing. But revenue projections were \$8B usd. Players lost 35% of salary this year between initial 10% escrow and the enhanced 25% Covid escrow. 35% x (50% of \$8B) = \$1.4B," Dinwiddie tweeted.

"So basically in spite of the mandate to bear the Covid weight 50/50 and the **Daryl Morey** fiasco (300-500M) the players covered this entire loss and played in Orlando for free ... Welp hopefully there's no lockout."

LeBron could sit if season starts early / Page 48



SHOOTING STAR: The Nets are keeping an eye on Arkansas sophomore Isaiah Joe in the NBA draft in case sharpshooter Joe Harris leaves via free agency. AP

By BRIAN LEWIS

With the draft approaching, a common thread is the Nets having eyed some of the best shooters in this class. Isaiah Joe is yet another potential floor spacer.

Despite an injury-interrupted campaign, Joe still managed to lead the SEC in 3-pointers both this past season and over the last two years (207). For a Nets team in danger of losing another Joe — former NBA 3-point champ Joe Harris — in free agency, the Arkansas sophomore is an intriguing sleeper.

The Nets have the 19th and 55th picks, while Joe has been projected between 34 and 38 in four mock drafts over the past two weeks. He has talked with both the Knicks and Nets, the former devoid of shooting and the latter looking for both insurance against Harris and complements for Kevin Durant and Kyrie Irving.

“Right off the bat my shooting means a lot to a team, being able to stretch the floor, keep moving, space out and occupy a defender. Right off the bat

G.I. Joe

Nets looking at deadeye Arkansas guard in draft

that’s something a team can utilize from me,” Joe said via Zoom. “And with my defensive IQ, I feel like I’m in the right spot all the time, take charges.

“Right now one of the biggest things is putting on weight and muscle. I’m continually working on my ball-handling; I’m a capable ball-handler, so if a team needs me to bring the ball up, I can do that. But at the end of the day I keep the main thing the main thing; I want to be the best shooter on the floor at all times.”

Joe’s stats — and draft stock — don’t match up with his stroke, partly due to injury.

As a freshman, Joe hit a torrid 41.4 percent from behind the arc on eight attempts a game. And this sea-

son he averaged 18.2 points as one of the top perimeter defenders in the country through the first 15 games, while averaging 20.4 points and 41.2 percent from deep in his first three SEC tilts before hurting his right knee.

Joe managed to limp through the injury, but averaged just 9.2 points on 27.7 percent shooting from deep in five of the next six tilts — including suffering the first scoreless game of his career. His explosion and defensive mobility took a hit as well, before eventually breaking down and having arthroscopic surgery.

“The injury definitely happened and my numbers dropped during that time,” Joe said. “During those five or six games I was injured my numbers did plummet;

but my coach [Eric Musselman] and team felt it was best for me to be out the court occupying a defender, stretching the floor, which I did.

“Some of the teams, they know about the injury and took that into view. But some I had to explain it to, the games I played healthy versus some I played injured. I think after explaining it to them, I think they got a better eye on things.”

Upon returning to the lineup, Joe did average 20 points and get back to playing stout defense. And while his shot creation off the dribble was among the best in the country — 97th and 88th percentile over the past two years — he’s been working in Arkansas with a trainer set up by agent Mike Conley Sr. on situations like catch-and-shoot looks, coming off screens, and arguably most important, his frame.

“One of my biggest things is putting on weight and muscle, which I am during this time,” said Joe, who arrived at Arkansas spreading just 167 pounds across his willowy 6-foot-5 frame. This past season he was listed at 175 pounds and is up to 180, his draft stock rising as well.

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♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

This is a good day for dealing with people in positions of power. They won’t expect you to do anything special or to put on a show, in fact they are more likely to be impressed if you just act normally - so few people do nowadays.

♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)

If you are having second thoughts about something you agreed to get involved with recently those doubts are likely to increase over the next few days. It’s no big deal though - you were under no obligation to commit yourself for the long-term.

♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)

As Venus is about to move into the career area of your chart you will make a serious effort to get along with all sorts of people, even those you don’t much like. Authority figures will recognize, and reward, how calmly you go about your business.

♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

It’s important that you trust your own thoughts and instincts today, because the planets warn there is a lot of false information being passed around. Gossip can be fun, of course, but when it’s taken to extremes it can at times be dangerous.

♓ PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)

You may not agree with a friend’s opinions, in fact they may strike you as silly in the extreme, but you need to remember they have every right to express them. Have you ever wondered what other people think about some of the things you believe?

♈ ARIES (March 21-April 20)

Make sure you know what your limits are today, because if you push yourself too hard or too far

you could end up in an exhausted heap! The more others ask you to do things for them the less willing you should be to actually do them.

♉ TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

If you allow personal feelings to influence your decisions today you could find you have made a serious mistake. Stay calm in all situations and make sure you deal only in cold, hard facts. That does not mean you have to be cold or hard yourself though

♊ GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

You will be susceptible to flattery today, so make sure that when people praise you to the skies you are aware of what their motives might be. A lot of what they say may be true but don’t let your head swell too much or you may lose out.

♋ CANCER (June 22-July 23)

Someone in a position of authority believes you have what it takes to succeed, so why don’t you believe it yourself? Whatever the reason you really do need to buck up your ideas and get on with creating the new life you so often dream about.

♌ LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

You need to be sensible where work-related matters are concerned. If someone with more experience than you offers advice don’t dismiss it because you think it makes you look like a novice. No one expects you to know it all, so don’t expect it of yourself.

♍ VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

If you ask someone to do

something for you today they will do so without complaint. If you ask them to do the same thing tomorrow they will find all sorts of excuses to give it a miss. So ask them today, and get it done.

♎ LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

Anyone who thinks they can convince you of something that is clearly untrue is fooling no one but themselves. It might be fun to pretend to go along with them for a while but don’t get pulled in too far - or you might start believing it yourself!

BIRTHDAY TUESDAY

Are your ambitions realistic? That is the question you need to be asking on your birthday. It may in fact pay you to cut back your ambitions to the bare minimum. Have just one major goal and one or two secondary goals for times when you need some light relief.



AMAZIN' UNKNOWNNS:

Though Jeff Wilpon spent Monday saying goodbye to Mets employees, Mayor Bill de Blasio was declining to rule out a city holdup of the Wilpons' \$2.4 billion sale of the team to Steve Cohen.

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Wilpon says goodbye to Mets employees as de Blasio remains hurdle for sale

The Wilpons are putting the finishing touches on their long-standing ownership of the Mets.

On Monday afternoon, a team source confirmed, the Mets held an organization-wide Zoom call to award employees who had reached milestones for service. At the conclusion of the call, COO Jeff Wilpon thanked all of the employees and bid them farewell, a strong sign that a change in ownership is imminent.

Kyle Gelling, a producer for Barstool Sports, first reported Wilpon's goodbye message, doing so on Twitter.

The Wilpons, who took over sole ownership of the team in 2002, buying out their partner Nelson Doubleday (they have held a piece of the team since 1980), have agreed to sell the Mets to hedge-fund magnate Steve Cohen for \$2.4 billion. A few more boxes must be checked before Cohen can officially take over: He must be approved first by Major League Baseball's eight-member Executive Council and then, assuming that passes, by 75 percent of all the owners (22 of 29, with the Mets guaranteed to approve). And Mayor Bill de Blasio

must sign off on the transfer since Citi Field has a lease agreement with New York City.

Though none of these are viewed as high obstacles, de Blasio on Monday declined to rule out a city holdup of the deal that beleaguered Mets fans have craved for so long.

Hizzoner's sign-off was widely expected to be a formality — but he struck a more cagey tone during his daily press briefing Monday.

"This is something our law department is evaluating right now and we obviously want to get to a

resolution on this very quickly," the mayor, a Red Sox fan, said. "The deal is this: Because the land that Citi Field is on and the stadium belong to the city, the city always has to have a role when there is an ownership change.

"There's a process for doing that. The law department is doing its due diligence right now. I'll be getting a report from them soon and it'll just be based on the facts of the research they've done and then, again, we'll speak to that very quickly."

A de Blasio administration source had previously said it was

"hard to see" the city review holding up the final sale to Cohen.

But an insider fumed Monday that even this much scrutiny is unnecessary, and that de Blasio is just butting in for the sake of doing so.

"The city does not have to play a role," the source said. "This is ridiculous!"

"It seems like the typical de Blasio thing, trying to get attention in the wrong places," the source continued. "And stick it to billionaires."

Among the potential hang-ups is Cohen's past involvement in an insider trading scandal at his SAC

Capital Advisors that saw him reach a civil arrangement with the Securities and Exchange Commission in 2016 that barred him from managing money for two years.

In an August tweet, de Blasio press secretary Bill Neidhardt raised the issue.

"Hard to imagine a worse owner than the Wilpons, but an insider-trading, racketeering billionaire hedge fund culture is not great," wrote Neidhardt.

Questioned Monday about the propriety of the tweet in light of the city's role in the review process, Neidhardt stressed that the message was not sent in his professional capacity, and that he personally has no sway over the sale.

"This tweet reflects my personal views, which are well known when it comes to billionaires," he said. "I am not involved in the law department's analysis of the lease."

A representative for Cohen declined comment Monday on de Blasio's remarks.

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Amazin's claim infielder off waivers

The Mets added some infield depth Monday when they claimed Robel Garcia off waivers from the Reds.

The 27-year-old was part of Cincinnati's 60-man player pool this season. He appeared in 31 games for the Cubs in

2019, with a .775 OPS in 80 plate appearances and was claimed off waivers by the Reds in July.

After being released by Cleveland in 2014, Garcia played two seasons professionally in Italy before signing

with the Cubs in 2018.

In a corresponding move, the Mets designated outfielder Ryan Cordell for assignment. Cordell, 28, went 1-for-8 for the Mets last season after signing as a free agent.

— Dan Martin


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THE greatest gift of a season that had far too few is that the World Series actually feels like the World Series.

Nothing receives 100 percent approval, less now than ever when social media, 24-hour cable and relentless talk radio provide never-ending outlets for every grievance. But considering where this sport was in June, July and August, that October is finishing with a passionate, closely contested Fall Classic between two teams that deservedly should be playing for the title, elevates the sport if it comes after 60 games or 162.


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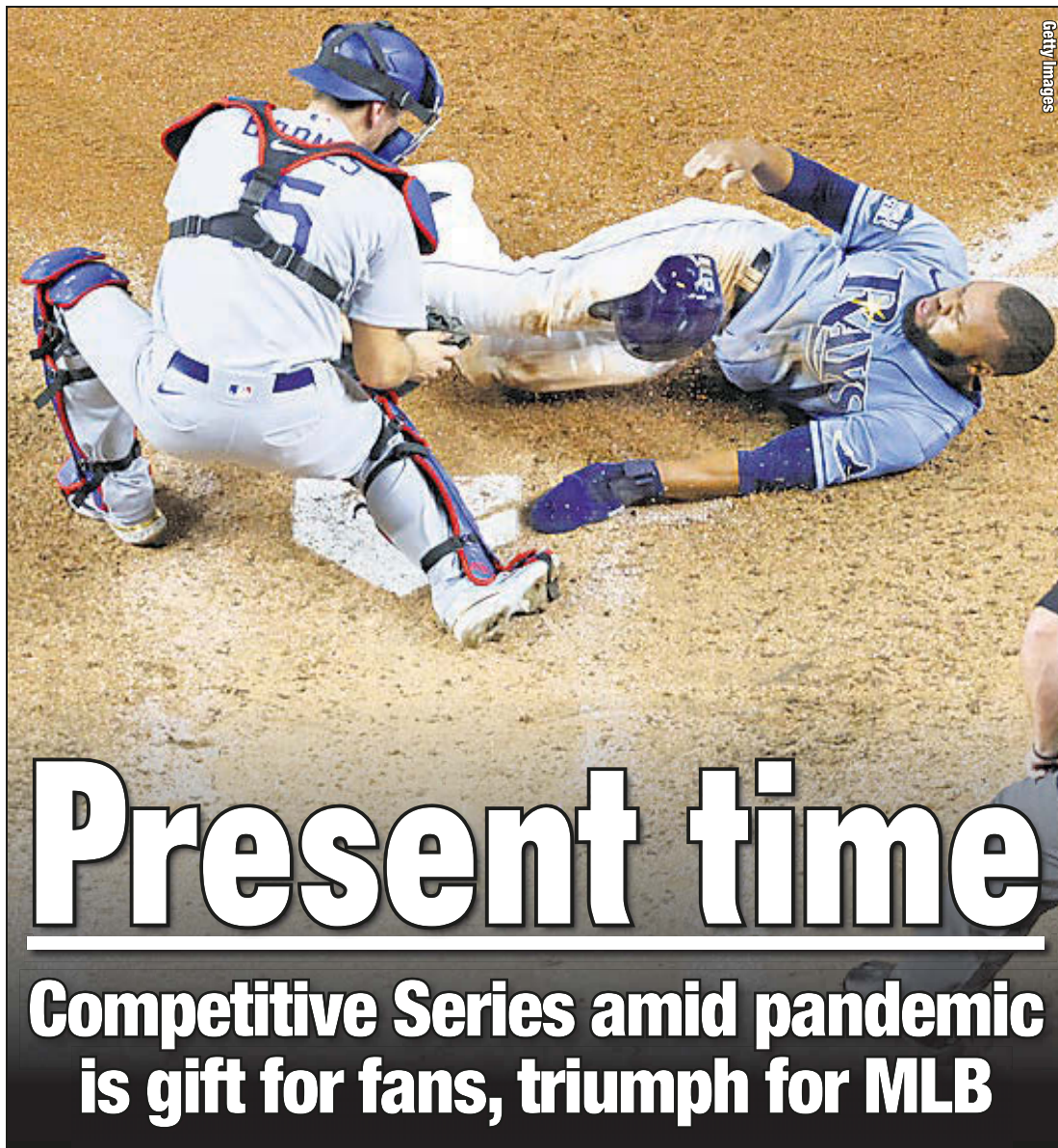
No bows yet. I talk to enough major league officials who still daily dread the email with COVID-19 test results, knowing just how destructive even one positive would be before the finish line. MLB is trying to complete the 116th World Series with cases rising precipitously around the world and nationwide again. A curfew was put in place in El Paso, Texas, 600 miles across the state from Globe Life Field to try to neutralize the rampant spread of the virus there.

So that MLB went into the final off-day of the 2020 season on Monday with 57 straight days without a positive test result for the virus was still more relief than regale. The sport is close, but the cigars only will come when a champ is determined after Tuesday's or Wednesday's game.

But that there looks like there will be a champ and that champ will feel legitimate (again not to everyone, but way more than would have seemed possible even two months ago) is a triumph for the game. For this season has felt like Odysseus trying to make his way back to Ithaca (spoiler alert if you haven't read it in the past few millennia: it took 10 years). The challenges and hurdles have been arduous. Odysseus makes it home with genius and cunning. And this was not all luck for the sport.

The early outbreaks on the Marlins and Cardinals that raised doubt MLB would get to September, much less October, led to amended, better protocols; and the players and support staff had the discipline and professionalism to adhere to the rules. MLB insisted that the post-season schedule not leak into November because its disease specialist said cases would be rising again at this time, and this World Series will end either Oct. 27 or Oct. 28.

With all the distrust (and worse) between MLB and the players association they worked together well enough to change rules, schedules,



WHAT A GAME! Having a closely contested Fall Classic between the Dodgers and Rays while COVID-19 is still raging in the country should be considered a huge success for MLB, writes The Post's Joel Sherman.

structures and protocols on the fly to get to this entertaining, credible World Series. Once the season concludes we can expect the sides to return to familiar Hatfield and McCoy roles over likely slashed payrolls, rules for 2021 and the need to negotiate a collective bargaining agreement, since the current document expires after next season.

This will probably not be the last time I offer this Pollyannaish concept, but the distrustful sides should remember what they did jointly to get this improbable season to this point in the worst year of our lives. They should use that to reconfigure the relationship with this as the cornerstone — what can they do together that is in the best interest of baseball (which lines both of their pockets, by the way).

You know what should help create some momentum toward that? This World Series.

It is in a neutral site. The crowds are 25 percent of capacity. It comes

after an abbreviated season with seven-inning doubleheaders, extra innings that began with a runner on second and regional play. But whatever the route, this World Series checks the boxes for what you want this time of year:

1. The right teams playing. After concerns the randomness of a best-of-three and what could occur with yet another round of playoffs, we did not get Marlins-Blue Jays. The teams with the best record in each league are deciding the championship.

2. With the universal DH in effect, there were concerns about lack of strategy. But there is perhaps nothing more overrated in the sport than the perceived genius it takes to enact the double-switch or how many fans (beyond diehards) even understand it or care about it.

Has anybody left any of the first five games of this series feeling like there were too few chess moves to dissect and second-guess? The Rays used all 28 players by the third

game and flip-flop roles and responsibilities like no other team in the sport. Dodgers manager Dave Roberts has ricocheted between perceptions of wizard and fool so much on how he has deployed pitching it is dizzying.

Have you screamed about four-man outfield alignments and attempted steals of home and pulling starters too quickly? If so, great. Baseball, at its best, gets you to strategize along in real time and assess and emote afterward. This series is allowing for plenty of all of that.

3. The series has further introduced Randy Arozarena to center stage, reminded folks just how special Mookie Betts and Corey Seager are, offered redemption for Clayton Kershaw and turned Brett Phillips into a folk hero.

4. This series had a forever game Saturday night. No one is going to put an asterisk next to Game 4. What will be remembered is the twist and turns and the crazy, joyous ride it


PHIL NEVIN

Yanks' Nevin interviews with Tigers

Add Phil Nevin to the list of Yankee coaches who have interviewed with the Tigers, who are searching for Ron Gardenhire's replacement.

Yankees bench coach Carlos Mendoza has talked with the Red Sox and Tigers about their managerial openings. Yankees hitting coach Marcus Thames, a former Tiger player, has also spoken to Detroit.

Nevin managed in the Tigers' minor league system at the Double-A and Triple-A levels, and Triple-A for the Diamondbacks. In seven minor league seasons, Nevin has a 481-525 record.

Nevin, 49, just finished his third year as the Yankees' third base coach.

— George A. King III

took us on to the final stumbling, bumbling, euphoric finale. Arozarena crawling home will go on endless loop with, among other great World Series moments, Gibson limping around the bases and the ball going through Buckner's legs.

5. This series is competitive. We know it will go at least six games and — if the pattern holds of the Dodgers winning the odd games and the Rays the even — Game 7 would be Wednesday. The Dodgers have brought a coastal power at the peak of its powers trying to make a narrative disappear — that they haven't won since 1988 despite so many close calls. The Rays are a sum-of-their-parts underdog, a team of John McClanes who just Die Hard.

What you want in a World Series these teams have brought — quality, tension, passion, heroes, goats. It is a gift, the best kind, one we weren't sure we would ever receive in 2020.

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AN ATTACK

Rays know pitchers have to get aggressive to stay alive in Series

By GEORGE A. KING III

Had Tyler Glasnow, Blake Snell and Charlie Morton pitched better in their combined four World Series starts, the Rays might not be looking at a must-win Game 6 against the Dodgers on Tuesday night at Globe Life Field in Arlington, Texas.

Yet, the three starters who are the spine of a team that at times struggles to score runs, haven't pitched as expected.

Naturally, the Dodgers' lineup and Clayton Kershaw's left arm have had something to do with the NL champs holding a 3-2 lead entering Game 6 in the best-of-seven affair. However, Glasnow, Snell and Morton have a combined 8.35 ERA, allowed 18 hits in 18 $\frac{1}{3}$ innings, 14 walks and five homers.

Snell, who starts Game 6, and Ryan Yarbrough started the two Rays wins. Glasnow started Game 1 and 5 and absorbed the loss in each when he gave up a combined 10 earned runs and three homers in 9 $\frac{1}{3}$ innings. Morton was the starter and loser in Game 3. He gave up five earned runs, seven hits and a homer in 4 $\frac{1}{3}$ frames. Snell will be opposed by right-hander Tony Gonsolin. Used as an opener in Game 2 by Dodgers manager Dave Roberts, Gonsolin gave up a run, a hit, a walk and struck out one in 1 $\frac{1}{3}$ innings. Roberts said Monday that Gonsolin will not be limited to an opener role Tuesday night.

According to Rays manager Kevin Cash they have identified why the Dodgers have presented problems: They are seeing too many pitches.

"We haven't done a good enough

job of establishing that we are going to get outs within the zone early in the count. The Dodgers do a tremendous job of seeing pitches and getting deep in the count and [are] pretty fearless of hitting with two strikes," Cash said Monday via Zoom. "We haven't done ourselves any favors by

really just saying, attack, attack, attack. It's been a lot of ball, strike, ball, strike. Throughout that they are seeing everything we got. That first at-bat for a lot of them, all the weapons have been brought out."

That was certainly a problem for Glasnow in Sunday's Game 5 loss when he needed 34 pitches to get through the first inning when the Dodgers copped a 2-0 lead on the way to a 4-2 victory that put them nine innings away from their first World Series title since 1988.

Since Snell's Game 2 outing was the best the Rays' three starters have provided, that has to provide confidence that the left-hander can help them

force a Game 7. In 4 $\frac{2}{3}$ innings, Snell allowed two runs, two hits and fanned nine. The drawback was four walks. The quartet of Nick Anderson, Peter Fairbanks, Aaron Loup and Diego Castillo allowed a run in the final 3 $\frac{1}{3}$ innings.

Asked what tells him Snell is on, Cash brought up being aggressive in the zone.

"If he is attacking guys in the zone and trusting he can get outs inside the strike zone, that is a pretty big tell," Cash said.

One of the Dodgers' Snell might want to cool off is Corey Seager, the left-handed hitting shortstop who is in the World Series MVP conversation thanks to a .471 average (8-for-17), two homers and

four RBIs in five games. Seager is 21-for-57 (.368) with seven homers and 18 RBIs in 17 post-season games.

"He is red hot and he is aggressive, too. When you are seeing the ball and you are feeling that way he is going to do that," said Snell, against whom Seager went 1-for-3 in Game 2. "He is swinging a hot bat and confident. You have to find pitches that look very good to him and hope he won't turn it into a hit. You got to be in the zone and throw strikes to him."

Rays reliever Ryan Thompson said being nine innings away from winter isn't too daunting.

"We expect to win this thing. We believe we can win these next two games and we will," Thompson predicted.

Having Snell deliver the best World Series start by a Rays pitcher would be a big help — both making Thompson looking prophetic and getting to a Game 7.

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IN ARLINGTON, TEXAS

Game 1: Dodgers 8, Rays 3

Game 2: Rays 6, Dodgers 4

Game 3: Dodgers 6, Rays 2

Game 4: Rays 8, Dodgers 7

Game 5: Dodgers 4, Rays 2
Dodgers lead series, 3-2

Game 6: Tuesday
Snell (4-2, 3.24) vs. Gonsolin (2-2, 2.31)

Game 7*: Wednesday
Morton (2-2, 4.74) vs. Buehler (1-0, 3.44)

* if necessary

STRIKE MODE:

The Rays need Blake Snell to attack the strike zone in Game 6, which Charlie Morton (below, right) and Tyler Glasnow (below, left) have failed to do in their World Series starts.

Getty Images (2); AP

ARLINGTON, Texas — To Beckett, or not to Beckett?

That is the question hovering over the Dodgers as they try to end their 832-fortnight and odd days drought without a championship. They choose to not Beckett, instead calling upon rookie Tony Gonsolin to eliminate the pesky Rays in World Series Game 6 on Tuesday night at Globe Life Field.

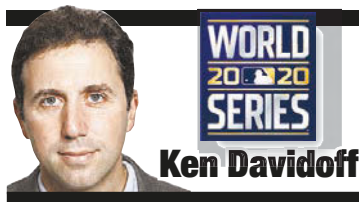
To Beckett, as those who recall the 2003 World Series know, is to use your best starting pitching option on three days' rest in Game 6 when owning a 3-2 edge (yes, it's very specific). That's what the Marlins, managed by the maverick Jack McKeon, did when they turned back to their Game 3 starter Josh Beckett, whose short-rested, five-hit shutout buried those Yankees and turned the 72-year-old McKeon into a South Florida folk hero.

Playing the 2020 Dodgers role of Beckett (who coincidentally finished his career as a Dodger) is Walker Buehler, who threw a six-inning gem to defeat the Rays in Game 3 Friday night. And who, instead of making his first career start on three days' rest, will be ready to start Wednesday night's Game 7 if necessary.

It's a tough call. And it's one that instantly becomes a huge part of this lively series' storyline.

"You're putting yourself in a situation where, after winning a game [5] to put him in a tougher situation, there's already guaranteed a Game 7," Dodgers manager Dave Roberts said Monday, as both sides mostly rested (a few guys from both teams showed up to get in some work). "It just makes sense for Walker. He hasn't done it. There's a blister component that we've dealt with that it just brings back more into play

Running Walker out on short rest worth considering for LA



Ken Davidoff

without the extra day. So we thought it through."

Let's think it through out loud, shall we? No one will dispute that,

in a vacuum, Buehler is a superior pitcher to Gonsolin, who took the loss in Game 2 when he allowed a run in 1 1/3 innings as the Dodgers' opener. Buehler's complete lack of experience throwing on short rest shouldn't automatically disqualify him from trying it now. After all, Yankees ace Gerrit Cole had never tried it until American League Division Series Game 5 against these Rays, and he performed very well, allowing only one run in 5 1/3 innings.

Now, the blister, an ongoing



FINISH THE JOB: Using Walker Buehler on short rest, much as the 2003 Marlins did with Josh Beckett, could have been the way to go for the Dodgers to finish off the Rays. Getty Images

Buehler issue this fall, that's no small thing. That very well could be the determining factor.

If Gonsolin — who, Roberts said, will go as a traditional starter, not an opener — does his job, then no harm, no foul, start another party in Los Angeles, where the great LeBron James' Lakers just captured the NBA championship earlier this month. If Gonsolin falters while his Rays counterpart, Blake Snell, shoves but Buehler bests Charlie Morton for a second time in Game 7? Again, all good in the Dodger Land hood.

A Game 6 Rays win naturally reduces the Dodgers' room for error and turns up the heat on Roberts and the favorites. It makes sense in theory to have Buehler in that spot, with Game 4 starter Julio Urias and franchise icon Clayton Kershaw (who won Games 1 and 5) ready to help out of the bullpen. Theory means nothing, however, when you're talking about one game.

You can defend the Dodgers' process here, you can poke some holes in it. It doesn't matter. When you're a huge-market club attempting to win your first title since 1988, and you're one win away, only the results matter. Bad results will prompt a dissection of what went wrong.

Gonsolin, who worked mostly as a traditional starter from July through September, said, "It feels like I'm back on a normal routine like I was all season. Try not to put more pressure on myself than there already is, try to go out there and throw the ball to the best of my ability."

A baseball-loving city hopes that best is good enough. And stands ready to wonder, if things don't turn out the way they want, whether another path would've led to victory.

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Roberts: Betts will pay off for years to come

By GEORGE A. KING III

Time will tell what how the Dodgers acquiring Mookie Betts from the Red Sox is defined.

However, Dave Roberts doesn't need time to assess the February deal that sent Alex Verdugo, Jeter Downs and Connor Wong to Boston for David Price and Betts. Betts, 31, then signed a 12-year contract extension worth \$365 million in July.

"When [team president] Andrew [Friedman] brought it to me that it might happen, I couldn't believe it and I was not trying to get too excited.

We got a steal," Roberts said Monday on a Zoom call from Arlington, Texas, where the Dodgers can win their first World Series title since 1988 on Tuesday night by winning Game 6 against the Rays at Globe Life Field. "I was grateful the deal was done."

According to Roberts, the blockbuster swap certainly has helped the Dodgers get nine innings away from a World Series title and it will continue to keep on giving.

"It is not only helping us this year, it is going to help us for the next wave of young players and really enhance what we have as

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a culture going forward," Roberts said of the deal that buried the Red Sox. "It is going to affect players who haven't been drafted by the Dodgers yet. That is what I am really excited about as well."

► Rays manager **Kevin Cash** hinted that he might use a similar lineup against Dodgers starter **Tony Gonsolin** in Game 6 to the one he did when the right-hander started Game 2, a 6-4 Rays victory.

"I think it will be pretty

consistent. We have a couple of options. Look, we have to find a little offense somehow. **Yandy [Diaz]** is starting to swing the bat a little better. We will come up with the best option to start the game," said Cash, who pointed out the Dodgers can match up out of the bullpen very well. "Don't want to give them the option where they can pin us down to making radical changes in the second or third inning."

Diaz didn't start against Gonsolin in Game 2. He entered the game as a pinch hitter and singled and walked. He went hitless in Game 3 batting

leadoff and 2-for-3 with an RBI in Game 5.

► Roberts didn't discount starting catcher **Austin Barnes** to work with Gonsolin.

"It's not off the table," Roberts said. "I am going to think through the lineup later today and certainly not off the table."

Barnes has started three of the five games but didn't work with Gonsolin in Game 2 when **Will Smith** was behind the plate. In Barnes' three starts, Smith has been the DH. When Smith has caught, **AJ Pollock** and **Cody Bellinger** have been the DH.



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ON THE GIANTS



NOT FOR SALE

Giants won't deal assets before deadline

HERE is what is not going to happen in the next week leading up to the Nov. 3 NFL trade deadline:

Giants general manager Dave Gettleman desperately trying to save his job by making a series of trades, attempting to temporarily bolster the roster to make the final record look somewhat more palatable at the end of the season.

That would not have taken place even if the find-a-way-to-lose Giants held onto the lead in Philadelphia, beat the Eagles and were up near the top of the pack in the sad-sack NFC East. The Giants were not going to be buyers, no matter what, and are not expected to be overly aggressive sellers, either.

Jettisoning outside linebacker Markus Golden to the Cardinals for a 2021 sixth-round draft pick was not the start of a groundswell of moves. There were offers of a seventh-round pick but the Giants waited until the return was more attractive.

Could there be one or two moves in the coming days? Sure. But insiders say there will be no fire sale.

Would the Giants part ways with receiver Golden Tate in the unlikely event someone out there is interested in a 32-year-old pass-catcher on the decline? Why not? There is almost no chance Tate is on the team next season, not at a salary-cap hit of \$10.8 million.

Otherwise, not much makes much sense.

Is there a contending team out there in need of a veteran guard to plug-and-play willing to pay more than \$5 million for the remainder of the season for Kevin Zeitler? The odds are not strong that Zeitler returns in 2021 for \$12 million. But does anyone actually believe rookie Shane Lemieux right now would be comparable at right guard? Does it make any sense to weaken the line in front of Daniel Jones for the remaining nine games?

"You don't want Jones killed," an NFL talent evaluator said.

More than anything, the Giants at 1-6 need to leave behind another shoddy season knowing all they can about Jones, and that means giving him as much help as possible. This is why Cam Fleming, who has not played badly, has not been benched at right tackle for rookie Matt Peart. He showed some

promise getting snaps in place of struggling rookie left tackle Andrew Thomas. But there is no chance a line with Peart starting and Fleming sitting is in any way beneficial to keeping Jones on his feet.

Should the Giants find out what they can get for Dalvin Tomlinson? Why? He is an ascending 26-year-old defensive tackle, elected a team captain, on the final year of his contract. He is the sort of player you re-sign, not give away. He wants to be part of the solution and is a Joe Judge-type guy.

This brings us to Evan Engram. So many fans had enough of him as soon as the ball fell through his hands last Thursday night. It is not too dramatic to state the drop cost the Giants the game, as they lost 22-21 to the Eagles. The disgust is understandable. Fans have been waiting for Engram to turn the 'athletic ability' and 'game-breaking talent' into tangible results.

The Giants, though, cannot and will not allow disgust

to guide them.

For now, Engram, 26, is cheap labor — \$1 million for the remainder of the season — and Judge can watch every move Engram makes the rest of the way before determining if the 2017 first-round pick is worth the \$6 million fifth-year option that was picked up for 2021.

The Giants know Engram works hard. He was at the facility on Saturday, two days after his horrific drop, catching passes. They know he is a good guy and they remain intrigued with his skill set. The mental toughness part of the game remains in question. They wonder if he tries too hard and as a result tenses up. If someone wants to give the Giants a second- or third-round pick for him — that is highly unlikely — they should go for it. If not, keep him around and see if he hardens or wilts.

"I'd say the most they could get for him is a fourth- or fifth-round pick," the talent evaluator said. "If that."

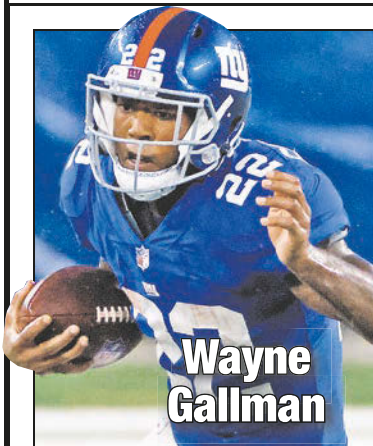
Gettleman prior to last year's trade deadline acquired Leonard Williams and that has not worked out. Williams is a solid player but not worth the \$16.1 million franchise tag — he needed to be signed to a reasonable long-term deal to warrant giving up a third- and fifth-round pick. That mistake will not be repeated this week.



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MORE HARM THAN GOOD:

Trading players like Evan Engram or Kevin Zeitler could harm any potential growth from Daniel Jones this season.



Wayne Gallman

Gallman unlikely to remain in Blue in 2021

WAYNE GALLMAN needs a change of scenery.

He will not get it this week, unless a team out there wants to give up a (very) late-round draft pick for him. Otherwise, Gallman's four-year contract as a 2017 fourth-round pick out of Clemson will expire after this season and he will look elsewhere to continue his stagnant NFL career.

There are enough flashes out of Gallman, 26, to indicate he can play

in the league, in some capacity. He was intriguing as a rookie (111 rushing attempts, 476 yards, four touchdowns) to want to see more. Everything changed for Gallman when **Saquon Barkley** was the No. 2 pick in the 2018 draft. Just like that, every other running back on the roster turned into a "breather" alternative whenever Barkley needed a break. Gallman did fine filling in last season when Barkley hurt his ankle — until Gallman went down

with a concussion — but is again second fiddle, this time to **Devonta Freeman**, with Barkley out for the season. Gallman gave the offense some life in last week's loss to the Eagles.

"I just have to stay ready," Gallman said. "That's really the big thing with me, staying ready, staying locked into the game. Not trying to make it too big, but just sometimes, take the base hit and see what happens."

A good teammate, Gallman is popular in the locker room and has tried hard not to be overcome with the frustration that comes with so much more sitting than playing.

"Honestly, I used to think that way but there is no reason to think that way," he said. "I can't really worry about all that because all that is not controllable. I just have to focus on doing my job and being Wayne."

He will in all likelihood be Wayne somewhere else in 2021.

Jets think they have a 'chance' vs. Chiefs

By BRIAN COSTELLO

No one outside of the Jets organization is going to give the team a shot to win this weekend against the Chiefs in Kansas City.

The Chiefs are the defending Super Bowl champions and one of the favorites to win it again this year. The Jets are 0-7.

Still, the Jets players don't want to hear they have no chance.

"Every time you line up to play, you have a chance to win," Jets guard Greg Van Roten said. "It doesn't matter what your record is or who you're playing against. You've still got to play the game and make the plays and try your best. I don't think anybody is going to shy away from this opportunity. I'm looking forward to playing quote-unquote the best."

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Van Roten said his teammates should embrace the challenge this week.

"We have a great test this week to see what we're made of. Our record is what it is," Van Roten said. "That's who we are right now. We have a chance to go play a really good team at home. They won the Super Bowl last year. If you can't get excited about that. If you can't find a way to get up for that game, then there's something wrong with you."

► The game against the Chiefs will be a reunion with RB **Le'Veon Bell**, who signed with the Chiefs two weeks ago when the Jets released him. Bell and coach **Adam Gase** had a rocky relationship, something that will be a storyline this week. Gase is not worried about Bell being out to make the Jets look bad.

"Yeah, I'm pretty sure that he's going to be worried about just winning a game, period," Gase said. "That's what most players are worried about, they're worried about, 'Hey what do I got to do this week to help my team win,' so I'm sure that's what he's going to be worried about doing."

► Gase would not commit to having offensive coordinator **Dowell Loggains** call the plays again this week, but he sounded like he was leaning that way. Loggains did well in the first half against the Bills and the Jets led 10-0. But his magic touch vanished in the second half when the team gained just 4 yards.



Tom Brady

Bill Belichick

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Split's not even close

Brady easily winning divorce with Belichick

SO, the early returns are in. Tom Brady and life without Bill Belichick.

Belichick and life without Brady. Seven weeks into their separation/divorce, Brady is the winner.

In a landslide. Life in New England without Brady has turned Belichick Belichick.

Brady's grumpy ex is mired in an uncharacteristic struggle. His 2020 Patriots are 2-4 and above only the Jets in the AFC East standings after Sunday's eye-opening 33-6 loss to the 49ers at Gillette Stadium, their worst home loss since before Belichick was hired more than 20 years ago.

Meanwhile, Brady is having the time of his life with his new besties in Tampa Bay.

Brady and the Buccaneers are 5-2 and in first place in the NFC South. Along the way, he's hardly looked like a 43-year-old on the decline, having thrown for 1,910 yards, 18 TD passes to only four INTs and with a 102.7 passer rating.

It sure looks like Belichick and New England miss Brady a lot more than Brady misses Belichick and New England.

Remember two games ago, when we made fun of Brady for losing track of the downs at the end of a loss to the Bears — the lasting image of that night in Chicago being Brady holding up four fingers while pleading with the officiating crew that it was fourth down after he'd actually just thrown an incomplete pass on fourth down?

Well, Brady threw four TD

passes in a 45-20 road rout of the Raiders Sunday. There are two words for that: last laugh.

This was always going to be the most compelling storyline of the 2020 NFL season: How Brady would fare without Belichick and how Belichick would be able to move on without Brady, the man who compiled a remarkable 219-64 regular-season win-loss record in his 20 years of marriage to Belichick, throwing 541 TD passes to 179 INTs with a 97.0 rating and winning six Super Bowl titles.

Of course neither man would ever cop to his true feelings publicly, but if you gave them each a glass of Cabernet laced with truth serum, Belichick would tell you he burns to show that he can win without Brady and Brady that he burns to prove he was not a product of Belichick's brilliant coaching.

What has transpired through the first seven weeks of this season — and, in fairness, there's still a lot of season remaining before this story draws its definitive conclusion —

is this: Brady is enhancing his legend while at least a little bit of the shine is being rubbed from Belichick's star.

The quarterback Belichick replaced Brady with, Cam Newton, has thrown two TD passes and seven INTs in his five starts with New England.

Sunday was not one of Belichick's better days.

While Brady was raging in Las Vegas, Newton was so bad in the loss to the 49ers (three INTs and 98 passing yards), he was benched in favor of Jarrett Stidham.

Adding to the insult was the fact that the winning quarterback at Gillette Stadium was the quarterback who was supposed to be Brady's heir apparent — Jimmy Garoppolo. But Garoppolo, against Belichick's will, was reportedly driven out of New England (for a mere second-round draft pick) by Brady's insecurity, not wanting the franchise's future hovering over his shoulder as a distraction.

It was all enough to push Belich-

ick to retreat underneath his hoodie.

The entire mess — Brady excelling in Tampa, the Pats' current three-game losing streak, Newton's inconsistency — has all left the privileged locals in New England borderline apoplectic, with the sports radio waves in Boston awash with angst from disillusioned (delusional?) callers.

This is what happens to fans after they've watched their team win the past 11 AFC East titles, 16 of the past 17 and for 17 of the 20 years Belichick has coached in New England.

Words from former NFL coach and current NBC studio analyst Tony Dungy, who's not known for TV shock-talk hyperbole, were rather damning Sunday night while addressing the current state of Belichick's Patriots.

"Bill Belichick is the best fixer of problems I've ever seen, but I'm not sure if this is salvageable," Dungy said. "It just looks like it's getting worse. There is no continuity on offense or defense."

Wow.

"We were clearly out-coached, outplayed, just out-everything," Belichick said after the 49ers game. "We're just not performing at a good level right now, in any area."

Especially at quarterback.

Cue the Brady social media posts after his latest victory, flashing his smug \$50 million smile that screams: "My life is perfect, how's yours?"

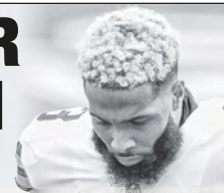
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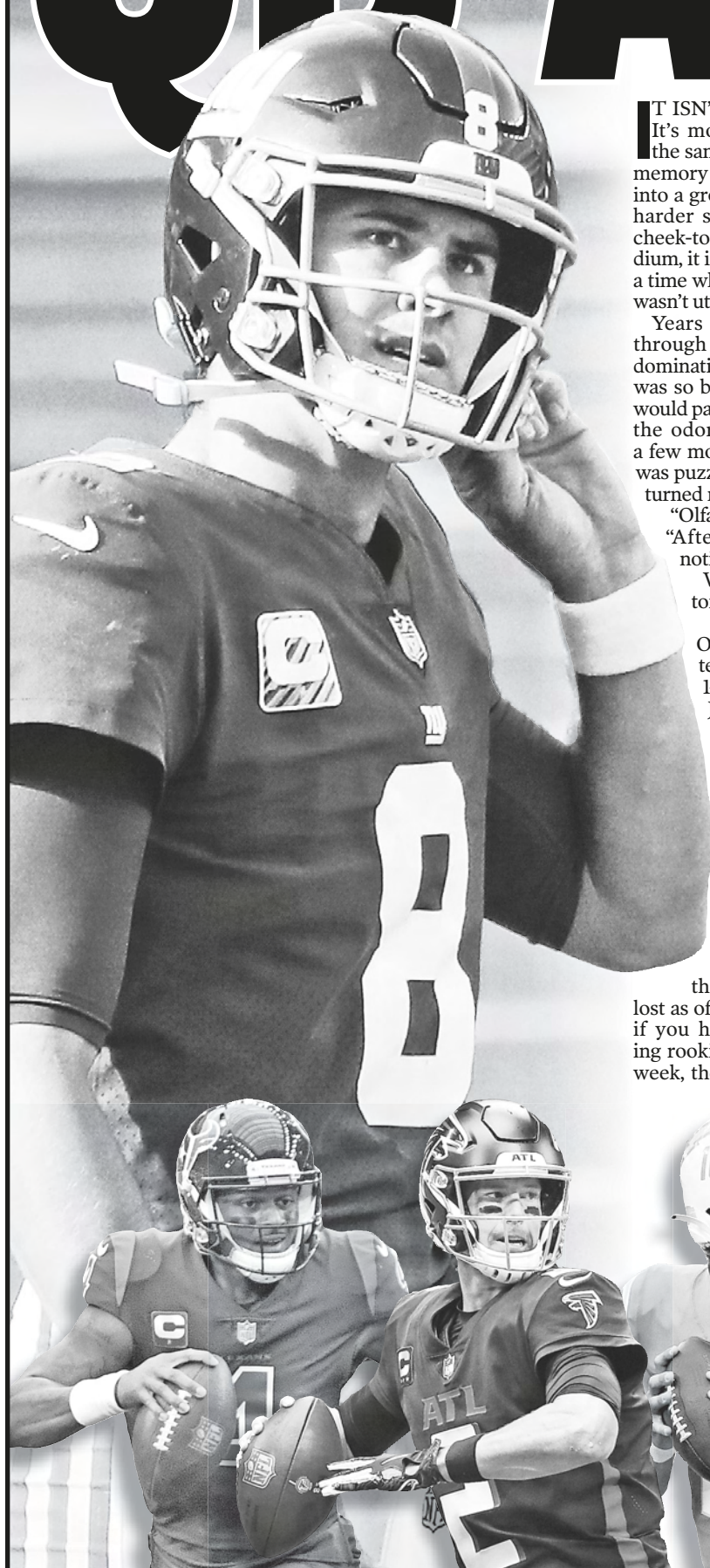
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IT ISN'T just that the teams stink. It's more than that. Honestly, in the same way it's hard to conjure a memory of a time when you walked into a grocery store without a mask, harder still to remember standing cheek-to-jowl inside a crowded stadium, it is almost impossible to recall a time when pro football in this town wasn't utterly deplorable.

Years ago, I had to often drive through a town with a paper mill dominating its downtown. The smell was so bad at first you thought you would pass out. But after a few weeks, the odor was less offensive. After a few months, it was all but gone. It was puzzling until one of the natives turned me on to something.

"Olfactory fatigue," he explained. "After a while you just can't notice it anymore."

We in New York have Olfactory Football Fatigue.

Here's the thing, though: Other towns have lousy teams. The Texans are awful, 1-6, they fit in nicely with the Jets and the Giants ... but they have Deshaun Watson playing quarterback. The Bengals are a little better, they're 1-5-1, but they have Joe Burrow playing quarterback. The Chargers are a little better, they're 2-4, but they have Justin Herbert playing QB ...

And those are just the bad teams. You would still be angry at the Jets and the Giants every week if they lost as often as those teams do ... but if you had Herbert, the gunslinging rookie, to look forward to every week, the way all 817 Chargers fans in LA do? How about if you just had the prospect of an irresistible and exciting

No matter the metric, our quarterbacks are awful in league full of star throwers



unknown, as Dolphins fans have with Tua Tagovailoa waiting in the wings this week?

But we have none of those things. On one side of town, we have Sam Darnold, who seems to regress by the down these days, never mind the game (he's 30th in the league in QBR, 32nd in rating). On the other, you have Daniel Jones, who every game gives you a little something to nibble on, and wonder what might lurk inside that No. 8 jersey ... and then, inevitably, invariably buries that optimism by doing something awful, brutal, inexplicable (he's 22nd/30th).

Here is the worst truth about the Giants/Jets Alliance of Awful, worse than the combined 1-13 record, worse than the endless fogs of helplessness and hopelessness that shroud them, worse than the low-approval ratings that both GMs have, worse than the understanding that the Jets employ Fired Man Coaching and the Giants have a 38-year-old who's learning on the job every week:

Neither has a quarterback the preponderance of either fan base has a whole lot of faith in. Jets fans have already gone through all five Stages of Quarterback Grief with Darnold:

1. Denial ("He's young! He has no talent around him!")
2. Anger ("He has incompetent coaches crushing him!")
3. Bargaining ("Get him weapons, he'll be fine!")
4. Depression ("Four yards in the second half? FOUR?")
5. Acceptance ("Even if Trevor Lawrence bails on us, Justin Fields would sure look good in green!")

And Giants fans aren't far behind with Jones.

It's a pitiless league, the NFL, especially when we talk about quarterbacks, especially at a time when even so many of the awful teams at least

have QBs who can sling the rock all over the field (for crying out loud, even Matt Ryan is having a hell of a year for the horrific, 1-6 Falcons) and make the games worth sitting through.

And it'll be especially grisly for the two locals in the coming days. Sunday, the Jets get the treat of walking into Arrowhead Stadium for one of the great mismatches ever, the planet's worst football team facing its best. And Jets fans will get to ogle at Patrick Mahomes, the best of the best (and maybe torture themselves a little, remembering that Mahomes was sitting there in 2017 when they picked the dear, departed Jamal Adams at No. 6).

And on Monday, the Giants welcome the Buccaneers to MetLife Stadium, where they will renew acquaintances with an old friend named Tom Brady, who thus far has 18 touchdowns and four interceptions for the 5-2 Bucs at age 43, who probably has a few old scores he wouldn't mind settling against the imposters presently wearing blue uniforms.

But why limit it to them? Whenever Jets fans or Giants fans tune in to the RedZone channel, they are besieged with star-studded QBs at every turn, the bold-faced names appearing on screen every time they cut to a new game (in which they are invariably, at that precise moment, throwing a glorious 65-yard scoring pass).

Wilson! Rodgers! Jackson! (Oh my!) Allen! Brees! Roethlisberger! (Oh, wow!)

Tannehill! Carr! Mayfield (Oh, man!)

Wentz! Bridgewater! Goff! (Oh, no!) Murray! Garoppolo! Rivers! (UNCLE!)

It's a never-ending parade ... until the parade reaches the Jersey state line. That's when all the trombone players and jugglers and spirit squads take a wrong turn into a wall, like at the end of "Animal House," and we are reminded for the umpteenth time:

We don't just stink at football around here. We're also unwatchable.

And that's no way to go through the autumn.

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THROWING NOWHERE: While other NFL bottom-feeders like the Texans, Falcons and Chargers have (bottom, from left) Deshaun Watson, Matt Ryan and Justin Herbert, respectively, leading the way, the Giants and Jets — and their fans — are forced to watch Daniel Jones (left) and Sam Darnold struggle mightily and instill little hope.

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Gase to Darnold: Keep up the fight

By BRIAN COSTELLO

Sunday's game was Sam Darnold's 20th loss as the Jets' quarterback in 31 starts. It was another dismal day at the office for the signal-caller with two more interceptions, no touchdown passes and more questions about his future.

On his postgame Zoom meeting with reporters, Darnold sounded and looked defeated. The losing may finally be getting to him. He looked like Mark Sanchez did in 2012, when he was tired of answering questions about losing, interceptions and Tim Tebow. For Darnold, it is losing, interceptions and Trevor Lawrence.

Jets coach Adam Gase, perhaps sensing his quarterback needed a lift, talked to Darnold on Sunday night after the 18-10 loss to the Bills.

"I just keep thinking, he's 23, none of this can be easy," Gase said.

"He's a guy that did so much good in college and won a lot of football games, and things haven't always gone as smoothly as you know every-

body always hopes when they get to the NFL, this is what makes the NFL really tough. And it's a mental battle the majority of the time, [it's] can you survive the test? Can you get better through the adversity that you have to go through?

"You see a lot of guys going through it right now. There's a lot of teams with good players that have poor records, that are fighting the same battle. My thing to him was, we've got to stay the course. We have to keep finding ways to get better, we have to do a really good job of being great leaders and showing guys the right way to do things, keeping our focus. I mean, him and myself, getting frustrated and angry to the point where it's unproductive is not going to work. We have to do things right, we have to show the right way, we have to act a certain way to where we can bring guys along with us and find a way to turn the corner."

The Jets are 0-7, and it is not hard to imagine them going 0-16. If that happens, the Jets will end up with the No. 1 pick and a chance to take Lawrence, the Clemson star. Darnold answered questions about Lawrence last week and acknowledged he's seen the chatter on social media.

Darnold returned from missing

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two games with a shoulder injury on Sunday against the Bills and played well early, completing 10 of his first 11 passes. Then, he threw a terrible interception before halftime and completed just one pass in the second half. His 31.1 passer rating was the second-worst of his career.

On Monday, Darnold said he remains optimistic about the season.

"For me, I'm always optimistic about different situations, whether they're good or bad," Darnold said. "Obviously, we're not where we want to be right now, we're 0-7, it's not ideal. So, for us, for me especially, it's just about coming in here and going back to work. We watched the film today, we learned from it, and it's just about getting better every day, learning from mistakes and not making them again."

Darnold has clearly taken a step back this season. His numbers are worse across the board. His completion percentage is down to 58.4 from 61.9. His touchdown percentage has gone from 4.3 to 1.9. His interception percentage is up from 2.9 to 3.7. Yards per attempt (5.7 down from 6.9), and yards per completion (9.7 from 11.1) are down. His yards per game has dropped from 232.6 last year to 182.4. His rating is 65.0, down from 84.3.

The numbers are ugly. Gase put much of the blame for Sunday's performance on the lack of time Darnold had in the second half as the Bills brought a ton of pressure and the Jets' line had no answers.

"You look statistically, we're not good anywhere statistically," Gase said. "What I see in practice a lot of times, I see things that were better than last year. When we get into games, we've just got to figure out a way to protect him, let him get in a rhythm. I saw some really good things in the first half. Then it started getting really muddy there in the second half. Those guys started creating some pocket push, and the windows were closing quick. He was trying to make decisions quickly. We didn't have success doing that."

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SUPER SUB Oscar nominee Jessica Chastain (left) has replaced Michelle Williams opposite Oscar Isaac in HBO's upcoming drama "Scenes From a Marriage."

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Here's your first look at new "Batwoman" star Javicia Leslie in her crimefighting suit. Leslie plays Ryan Wilder in The CW series, which returns for Season 2 in January.



The CW

TV Tuesday

YOU might not have heard of serial killer Dennis Nilsen before watching "Des" — but you'll never forget him after David Tennant's creepy portrayal of this pathologic monster dubbed "the kindly killer."

The chilling three-part series, concluding Thursday on Sundance Now, averaged 11 million viewers when it premiered last month on ITV — the UK network's best drama premiere in 14 years. Viewers there are familiar with Nilsen's crimes and how the unassuming



Michael Starr
TV EDITOR

Scottish-born civil servant, an ex-cop, was convicted of strangling and dismembering 12 young men (probably more) in London from 1978-83. The case provided plenty of lurid headlines, at least six TV specials and the book "Killing for Company: The Case of Dennis Nilsen," written by Brian Mast (one of the main characters in "Des").

It's Tennant, though, who steals the show. The Scottish actor doesn't need to concoct an accent to play Nilsen — which adds to the realism — and with the help of a bad haircut and glasses he bears a striking resemblance to the killer, who was sentenced to life imprisonment and died, in 2018, after abdominal surgery. Good riddance.

What's so creepy is Nilsen's nonchalance, and the way in which Tennant channels his psychosis. When arrested, he calmly tells Detective Inspector Peter Jay (Daniel Mays) that "it's a relief to get this off my chest"; when asked the number of his victims he shrugs his shoulders: "15, or 16, I think." He's helpful, but only to a

Real creep show

'Des': how this serial killer preyed on young men for five years



David Tennant packs his usual punch as serial killer Dennis Nilsen in "Des," streaming exclusively in the US on Sundance Now.

Sundance Now

point; he eventually opens up about his murderous M.O. of picking up young men, either homeless or drug addicts, and luring them back to his London lairs (there were two); once there, he strangled them and dismembered their bodies, spending time with the naked corpses before disposing of his prey. He was betrayed in 1983 by a blocked drainage pipe in his house — and you can guess what was found in there and inside Nilsen's filthy abode (he boiled his victims' heads, and, in one scene, Jay is warned not to

look inside a pot on the stove).

Like other familiar serial-killer cases (Ted Bundy, Jeffrey Dahmer, Dennis Rader), Nilsen enjoys the attention, which leads to a cat-and-mouse game with the dogged Jay, who's intent on solving all the murders but gets blowback from Scotland Yard, which is more worried about funding the investigation and some recent bad press than about providing closure for the victims' families as more of them come forward, as do several men who escaped Nilsen's murderous clutches.

What I like about "Des" is that, like many other British dramas, it gets right to the point: Nilsen is arrested minutes into Episode 1 and, while there's a slight narrative arc regarding Jay's personal life, it's not integral to the series and seems to be thrown in there to "personalize" him, which isn't really needed, since Mays does a fine job conveying Jay's frustration and determination in bringing Nilsen to justice for each and every murder.

That frustration is fueled, in part, by what Jay and his police

colleagues see as unwanted interference from author Mast (Jason Watkins), who's writing his book about Nilsen and, in their face-to-face jailhouse sessions, is gleaming a lot more information about what turned him into a monster — scenes that will strike a familiar chord with fans of shows such as "Manhunter" and the endless documentaries about Bundy, Charles Manson, et al.

There's still time to catch up on "Des" before its conclusion on Thursday. You'd be well advised to check it out.



Netflix

Part 4 of "The Chilling Adventures of Sabrina" will premiere Dec. 31 on Netflix with returning stars Gavin Leatherwood and Kiernan Shipka (left) — and the Eldritch Terrors descending upon Greendale.



TLC

Sister act two

Season 1 of TLC's "Darcey & Stacey" was cable's highest-rated freshman series, averaging over 2 million viewers on Sunday night and finishing first in three key women demos.

What's on Tonight



DRAMA

The Haves and the Have Nots: 8 p.m. on OWN. Veronica (Angela Robinson, above) must do whatever it takes to garner what she truly desires.



REALITY

Little People, Big World: 9 p.m. on TLC. Matt (above, left) empties the farmhouse to prepare it for a new renter; Zach comes to a dramatic realization.



COMEDY

The Misery Index: 10 p.m. on TBS. An issue arises with Joe and Jameela's (above) costumes; details are shared about a former love interest living in the attic.

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Evening	SP	C	F	6:30pm	7:00pm	7:30pm	8:00pm	8:30pm	9:00pm	9:30pm	10:00pm	10:30pm	11:00pm	11:30pm
2	WCBS	2	2	2	CBS News Norah	Inside Edition	Entertainment Tonight	The Price Is Right at Night: Play for charity.	Let's Make a Deal: Secret prizes.		The FBI Declassified		CBS 2 News at 11PM	(11:35) Late Show
4	WNBC	4	4	4	NBC Nightly News	Access Hollywood	All Access	The Voice: Coaches continue singer search.	This Is Us: Pearson's reflect on birthdate.		This Is Us: Pearson's reflect on birthdate.		News 4 New York at 11	(11:35) Tonight Show
5	WNYW	5	5	5	25 Words or Less	Extra	FOX Pregame Live.	2020 World Series: Game 6 (If necessary): Tampa Bay Rays vs Los Angeles Dodgers from Globe Life Field in Arlington, Texas. Live.					FOX 5 News at 10	The Big Bang Theory
7	WABC	7	7	7	ABC World News	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Bachelorette: Yosef confronts Clare during the cocktail party; DeAnna Pappas visits Clare.	(10:01) The Conners	black-ish (R)			News	(11:35) Kimmel Live
9	WWOR	9	9	9	The Big Bang Theory	Family Feud	Family Feud (R)	Chicago P.D.: An opioid ring.	Chicago P.D.: Halstead risks credibility and career.	Family Feud (R)	Family Feud (R)		Family Feud	Family Feud (R)
11	WPIX	11	11	11	The Goldbergs	black-ish	black-ish: Dre's sister.	Swamp Thing: A growing darkness. (R)	Tell Me a Story: Olivia held captive.	PIX11 News at Ten with Fadal and Chambers			Seinfeld	Seinfeld
13	WNET	13	13	13	BBC World News	The PBS NewsHour		Not Done: Women Remaking America	Frontline: "Frontline" investigates the lives of candidates Joe Biden and Donald Trump. (R)	Amanpour and Company				
21	WLIW	21	21	21	(6:00) News	Metro	NYC Arts	Murder Mysteries (R)	Mystery of Agatha (R)	EastEnders	EastEnders	Metro	BBC World	
25	WNYE	25	22	25	Report	TBA	Science	History Presents On NYLife			New York	Secrets NY	To Be Announced	
31	WPXN	31	3	531	Minds	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds
41	WXTV	41	6	41	Noticiero	La rosa de Guadalupe		Médicos, línea de vida	Imperio de mentiras	Dulce ambición		Noticias 41	Noticiero	Noticias
47	WNJU	47	16	12	Noticias	El Domo del Dinero		Todo por mi hija		Falsa identidad		Noticiero	Noticias	
55	WLNY	55	10	10	Queens	Jets Camp	Man	Drew Barrymore	WLNY News at 9PM	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Girls	Girls	Girls
A&E	46	46	181		Storage (R)	Storage (R)	Storage (R)	Storage (R)	Storage (R)	Storage (R)	Storage (R)	Storage (R)	Storage (R)	Storage (R)
AMC	54	43	231		Conjuring R	Insidious (2011): Evil spirits vie for comatose boy. Patrick Wilson.		Insidious: Chapter 2 (2013): Haunted family. Patrick Wilson. ★★★						
BET	37	54	270		(6:00) Movie	Movie			Movie			Movie		
BBCAM	71	101	189	(6:00)	Thir13en Ghosts (2001) R ★★½	The Conjuring (2013): Family terrorized at secluded farmhouse. R			The Shining (1980): Unquiet spirits. R					
BRAVO	18	44	185		Below Deck	Below Deck (R)		Don't Be	Don't Be	Don't Be	Don't Be	Don't Be	Watch What	Chrisley
CNBC	15	24	102		Money	The News		Shark Tank	Shark Tank: Edible cups.	Shark Tank		Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank
CNN	78	25	100		Situation	Erin Burnett OutFront		Anderson Cooper 360°		Cuomo Prime Time	CNN Tonight with Don	CNN Tonight with Don	CNN Tonight with Don	CNN Tonight with Don
COM	45	50	190	(6:50)	The Office		The Office	Tosh.0 (R)	Tosh.0 (R)	Tosh.0 (R)	Tosh.0 (R)	Tosh.0 (R)	Daily Show	Tosh.0 (R)
DIS	49	31	250		Descendants 2 (2017): Life in Auradon.			Disney (R)	BUNK'D (R)	BUNK'D (R)	Undercover	Undercover	Liv Maddie	Liv Maddie
DSC	66	27	120		Homestead	Homestead (R)		Homestead		Building Off the Grid	Building Off The Grid	Building Off the Grid	Building Off the Grid	Building Off the Grid
E!	24	51	196		Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Bradshaw	Bradshaw	Nightly Pop
ESPN	28	36	70		Sports	CFB Playoff: Top 25		ESPN Films		30 for 30: Youngstown Boys		SportsCenter with Scott		
ESPN2	29	35	74	(6:00)	Daily	Baseball Tonight		UFC 252: Miocic vs. Cormier 3: from UFC Apex in Las Vegas. Replay.				NFL Live		
FBN	43	106	117		Evening Ed	Lou Dobbs Tonight (R)		Kennedy	The Evening Edit (R)	Lou Dobbs Tonight (R)		Kennedy (R)		
FNC	44	26	118		Spc. Rpt.	The Story		Tucker Carlson Tonight	Hannity	The Ingraham Angle		News @ Night		
FOOD	50	97	164		Chopped	Chopped (R)		Chopped (R)		Chopped (R)		Chopped: Rare hot dog.		
FREFRM	38	49	199		Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation (2018) ★★½		Hocus Pocus (1993): Witches in Salem. Bette Midler.			Kal Penn		The 700 Club (R)		
FS1	400	99	83		NASCAR	WWE: Survivor Series 2018: from Staples Center in Los Angeles.						WWE Backstage		
FX	10	40	53		The Huntsman: Winter's War (2016)		Deadpool 2 (2018): Deadpool tries to protect young mutant. R ★★½		Deadpool 2 (2018): Cyborg from future.					
HALL		191	240	(6:00)	A Christmas Detour (2015) NR ★★½		Christmas Under Wraps (2014): Holiday secret. ★★★		Holiday Date (2019): Boyfriend actor. Matt Cohen.					
HGTV	64	98	165		Home Town	Home Town (R)		Fixer to Fabulous	Fixer to Fabulous	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters (R)	Hunters (R)	Hunters (R)
HIST	40	47	128		Am. Picker	American Pickers (R)		American Pickers (R)	The Campaigns That Made History			(11:05) American Pickers		
ID	23	171	123		Nightmare	American Nightmare (R)		Homicide City (R)	Homicide City		Dead Silent	Dead Silent (R)		
LIFE	62	45	140	(6:00)	Christmas Stars (2019)		Wrapped Up in Christmas (2017): Christmas Grinch.		The Christmas Pact (2018): A holiday tradition.					
MeTV	33	33	3		Happy Days	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Andy	Andy	Pyle	Acres	Hogan	Hogan	Burnett
MSG	27	87	78		Joe Judge	NHL Hockey Replay.		2015 Playoffs Replay.				Joe Judge	Joe Judge	P. Mason
MSG Plus	48	88	80		Strongman	Prime Time Action Live.						World Poker Tour	World Poker Tour	World Poker Tour
MSNBC	14	23	103		Ari Melber	The ReidOut		All in with Chris Hayes	Rachel Maddow	Lawrence O'Donnell		The 11th Hour		
MTV	20	53	210	(6:00)	Easy A (2010): Virginity lie. ★★★		Teen Mom 2		16 and Pregnant	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous
NATGEO	65	162	121		Life Below	Life Below Zero (R)		Life Below Zero	Life Below Zero			Life Below Zero (R)		
NICK	6	121	252		Loud House	Pick President		SpongeBob	SpongeBob	How to Train Your Dragon (2010): Saving dragons. Jay Baruchel.		Friends		
OWN	173	180	145		Tamron	Haves and Nots (R)		Haves and Nots	Haves and Nots (R)	Haves and Nots (R)		Haves and Nots (R)		
PARMT	36	56	54	(6:32)	Men	Four Brothers (2005): Mother murdered. R ★★★		Gone in 60 Seconds (2000): A 50-car contract. ★★★		Con Air (1997) R ★★★				
SNY	26	60	77		Yeah ...	Yeah ...	Yeah ...	NFL Football: Buffalo Bills at New York Jets from MetLife Stadium. Taped.		Sports	Sports			
SYFY	17	48	180		Truth or Dare	(2017): Evil is awakened.		Jigsaw (2017): Series of murders seem familiar. R ★★½		Sinister (2012): Supernatural murder. Ethan Hawke. R				
TBS	8	39	52		Family Guy	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang	The Misery Index		Conan	Conan	The Misery
TCM	82	41	230	(6:15)	Escape from Fort Bravo (1954)		Women Make Film	(9:15) Fools in the Mountains	(1957, Comedy) NR	Women Make Film (R)				
TLC	52	28	139		Little Ppl	Little People (R)		Little People, Big World	Little People, Big World	(10:01) Sweet Home		(11:02) 7 Little Johnstons		
TNT	3	37	51		Jack Reacher (2012): Trained sniper.		The A-Team (2010): Soldiers are wrongly accused of a crime. ★★★		Jack Reacher (2012): Trained sniper.					
TVLAND	85	34	241	(6:24)	Andy	Andy	(7:35) Andy	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	(9:20) Loves Raymond	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Queens	Queens
USA	16	38	50	(6:00)	SVU	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	(10:02) Law & Order SVU	Family	Family	Family	Family
VH1	19	52	217	(5:30)	All Eyez on Me (2017): Rapper Tupac Shakur rises to fame.		2020 Hip Hop Awards				Chapple	Chapple	Chapple	Chapple
WE	59	42	149		Law & Ordr	Law & Order: Conspiracy.		Law & Order: Inside job.	Law & Order			Law & Order		
YES	53	89	76		M. Kay	College Football: Florida State Seminoles at Louisville Cardinals. Replay.				College Football Replay.				
EPIX	595		395	(6:10)	The Rhythm Section (2020) R ★★		Donnie Brasco (1997): Fed goes undercover. R ★★½		(10:15) Boyz n the Hood (1991): Life in gang zone. R					
HBO	511	301	400		Axios (R)	(7:05) Confessions of a Dangerous Mind (2003) R ★★★		The Soul of America NR		(10:20) The Undoing (R)		How To (R)	Axios (R)	
MAX	531	371	420		Valkyrie (2008): Plot against Hitler. ★★★		Alita: Battle Angel (2019): Amnesia cyborg. PG-13		(10:05) Femme Fatale (2002): Woman is blackmailed					
SHO	551	321	365		Current ★★½	The Good Lord Bird (R)		Ray Donovan (R)		Inside the NFL		Inside the NFL (R)		

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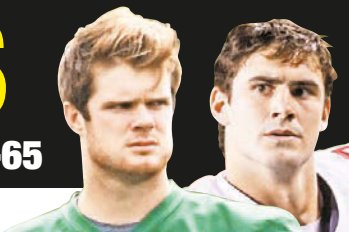
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Mets COO Jeff Wilpon seems ready to hand over the keys to Steve Cohen as he said goodbye to team employees in an organization-wide Zoom call Monday, but New York Mayor Bill de Blasio says he has the power to block the sale and his administration is still examining the issue.



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